

## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Mr Wilson's Tour

ALTHOUGH Mr Charles Wilson's visit to the Far East will be the first by a senior American official for many months (apart from Vice-President Richard Nixon's tour of Asia which was made at President Eisenhower's behest to repair the damage done by the tour of the "Senator from Formosa," Mr William Knowland) it is doubtful whether very much significance can be attached to it. This is a reasonable assumption even though Washington is trying to push ahead with its plans to form a "United Front" for the defence of Southeast Asia and a Pacific military alliance against further Communist aggression in the Far East. It is recalled that about two months ago President Eisenhower considered sending General Douglas MacArthur on an official Far Eastern tour to review the military and diplomatic situation but it was reported that largely due to the objections of the Japanese Premier, Mr Yoshida, on political grounds, this visit was cancelled. Mr Wilson's forthcoming tour may well be the sequel to this earlier plan which has received added significance in recent weeks because of the worsening situation in Indo-China and the apparent failure of the Geneva conference to solve the two outstanding problems of the moment. At present Mr Wilson has at least two duties to perform; one is to attend the inauguration ceremony of President Chiang Kai-shek at Taipei and the other, to confer with officials of the Philippines Government on the Indo-China situation under the terms of the Philippines-United States mutual defence treaty.

THE itinerary announced by Washington shows that Mr Wilson will be making the "traditional" tour of most United States politicians, a state men, special emissaries and others—chiefly to areas of American influence where United States forces are stationed or Far Eastern countries which are receiving large amounts of military aid. The territories to be visited are Japan, Korea, Formosa, Okinawa, Manila, Hawaii and Hongkong. Had Mr Wilson's tour been associated in any way with the formation of the so-called PATO it is likely he would have visited Indo-China, Malaya, Australia and New Zealand. Mr Wilson's visit to Korea and Japan may be associated with the gradual withdrawal of American forces from those areas. At Formosa, he may discuss America's military aid programme to the Chinese Nationalist Government. Another indication that the tour is in no way portentous is that Mrs Wilson is accompanying the Defence Secretary. The visit is therefore probably no more than "routine" and following Mr Wilson's clash with Congress over his frankness in his statements to the Press, it is very doubtful whether he will provide us with any illuminating news. As far as Hongkong is concerned his visit here, coming as it does in the middle of a busy three-weeks tour, may be nothing more than a short rest-stop. But perhaps while he is here he may give us some idea as to whether the American defence experts have changed their minds about the expendability of Hongkong as a Naval or Military base in the event of a future war. It would be interesting to know.

# EDEN AS CONCILIATOR

## Key Questions To Delegates At Geneva TOUGH VIETNAM PEACE TERMS

Geneva, May 12.

Britain, playing the role of conciliator, put five key questions to the nine-nation Indo-China peace conference here today in an attempt to bring both sides to grips with the task of ending the fighting.

The United States and France backed the British move for "urgent answers" to the questions.

They were put by Mr Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, who was in the chair, after the French-backed Associated State of Vietnam had rejected the Vietminh peace plan and put forward proposals of its own.

China endorsed the Vietminh plan.

Mr Eden declared: "As I understand it, we are agreed that the first step is to get the fighting stopped in an orderly manner."

In an effort to define the salient points of agreement and disagreement between the two sides, Mr Eden put five questions: "1. Are we all agreed that all troops on both sides shall be concentrated in determined areas?"

"2. Is it accepted that Laos and Cambodia are in a special category and that the Vietminh forces will be withdrawn from them?"

"3. Who is to work out the areas of concentration for Vietnam? Is it to be the Commanders-in-Chief with I suppose, reference back to the conference here?"

"4. Do we agree that when all troops have been concentrated in determined areas, any irregulars shall be disarmed?"

"5. Are we in favour of international supervision? If so, in what form?"

Mr Eden said he hoped the conference would find these questions helpful. He had preceded them by saying he assumed arrangements were in hand for dealing with the wounded at Dien Bien Phu.

### NO REPLIES

General Walter Bedell Smith, for the United States, welcomed Mr Eden's "pertinent questions." M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, said they would make it possible for the delegates to know where the conference stood and to get on with their work.

But none of the chief spokesmen of the opposing sides in the war replied to Mr Eden's "urgent" questions at today's three and a half hours session—the third on Indo-China.

The Vietnam settlement plan, put to the conference today by M. Nguyen Quoc Dinh, Vietnamese Foreign Minister, provides for an internationally-supervised armistice, Vietminh recognition of Bao Dai—the present head of state—continuing Vietnam membership of the French Union and free elections under United Nations auspices. It rules out any form of partition, even temporary.

### Duchess Of Kent At HK Stand

London, May 12. The Duchess of Kent and Princess Alexandra were interested visitors to the Hongkong stand at the BIF today.

They spent a considerable time examining the exhibits and expressed surprise at the range of goods on show.

The Duchess and her daughter were escorted around the stand by Col J. D. Clague, Mr E. G. A. Grimwood and Mr Charles Terry, who met the Duchess during her visit to the Colony.

This evening, with two days still to go before the Fair closes, the number of trade enquiries recorded on the stand passed last year's peak figure of 500. —Our Own Correspondent.

## "Wreck The Army" Threat

### Allegation At The McCarthy Hearing

Washington, May 12. The Army counsel, Mr John Adams, swore under oath today that Mr Roy Cohn threatened to "wreck the Army" and have the Army Secretary, Mr Robert Stevens, fired if his drafted friend, Private G. David Schine, was sent overseas.

Mr Adams also testified that "pressure" on behalf of Schine became so great he requested a White House conference at which the presidential assistant, Mr Sherman Adams, suggested that he compile a written record of the Army's row with Senator Joseph McCarthy.

The White House had no comment on Mr Adams' testimony. Testifying on the 15th day of the televised Army-McCarthy hearings, the Army counsel recounted a long series of incidents and swore under oath to the most serious allegations in the formal Army charges that Senator McCarthy, Mr Cohn and Mr Francis Carr, Senator McCarthy's Staff Director, used "unpropitious" means to obtain "unpropitious" treatment for Private Schine, formerly unpaid McCarthy consultant.

Senator McCarthy and Mr Cohn counter-charged that the Army used Schine as a "hostage" in an effort to get them to call off their investigation of alleged Communists at the Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, radar centre. Mr Adams will be subjected to cross-examination by Senator McCarthy and Mr Cohn when the hearings resume tomorrow.

Mr Adams testified that most of the pressure came from Cohn, with Carr playing a lesser role. But he said that Senator McCarthy tried, as late as January 22, to "extract a commitment from me" that Schine would be assigned to New York. Schine was conscripted last November 3 after efforts to get him a commission failed.

Mr Adams took over the witness stand from the Army alleged Communist, who is suffering from a virus infection. —United Press.

## 700 Dien Bien Phu Wounded Awaiting Evacuation

Hanoi, May 12.

About 700 Dien Bien Phu wounded will be eligible for immediate repatriation, according to an estimate made by the French High Command after the Vietminh's offer to authorise the evacuation of the very serious cases.

These include mostly amputations or men with serious stomach or head wounds and regarded as "useless" by the Vietminh, French military sources said.

The message of the Vietminh high command announced their willingness to have the serious cases evacuated but made no mention of the French Union medical personnel which stayed in the fortress with the wounded.

However, it was pointed out that it was current usage by the military to have the medical staff repatriated with the wounded. The wounded will be transferred to a hospital in Hanoi.

French medical authorities pointed out, however, that the transfer would depend on the condition of the air strip and the facilities available for transporting the wounded by truck up to the repatriation planes and also the health personnel available on the spot. —France Press.

### DOUBTS AUTHENTICITY

Near the end of the session, Mr Vyacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, said he had not read the Cambodian telegram about which so much was being made.

M. Georges Bidault, the French Foreign Minister, said the telegram was there for anyone to read.

The Cambodian delegates then held up the telegram and invited any delegates who did not believe in it to go to the post office and check for themselves.

Mr Molotov, who, according to Western delegates, was smiling, then said "now we have seen it, but we still haven't read it."

Mr Eden said that as Chairman he would circulate copies of the telegram. (Continued on back page, Col. 1)

## Nearly Stole The Show



The joy of the people of Malta was complete when Prince Charles and Princess Anne went ashore from the Britannia to watch the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh review a combined Services Parade on the Floriana parade ground. The Royal children, both dressed in yellow, watched the magnificent proceedings from a second floor balcony of a hotel overlooking the ceremony. —London Express.

## Laniel Gov't's Fate To Be Decided Today

Paris, May 13.

The National Assembly, angry and frustrated at the worsening situation in Indo-China, meets today to decide the fate of the ten-month-old Government of M. Joseph Laniel.

The Prime Minister has asked for a vote of confidence on his motion that the Assembly should not debate Indo-China at this stage in view of the military situation there and the peace talks at Geneva.

Last minute support for the Cabinet came on May 11 with President Eisenhower's statement in Washington that the United States is not resigned to losing Indo-China.

The capture of the Indo-China fortress of Dien Bien Phu last Friday brought the new storm in the Assembly—which had voted in favour of current Government policy on Indo-China only a few days previously.

M. Laniel had put the Government's case before the Deputies at a stormy session of the Assembly on Tuesday. He told them:

"The Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China is at this moment faced with grave possibilities. The national interest does not allow for diminishing the authority of the Government or of the military command at the present time."

"I am asking the Assembly to say whether it can take the responsibility of interrupting or adjourning the Geneva talks or of holding up military preparations."

Against this background, there is considerable reluctance to provoke a Cabinet crisis.

Dissatisfaction with the present government is tempered with the feeling that the situation in Indo-China may have reached a point where a change of political personnel in Paris can do nothing to alter it.

Nevertheless, it is recognised that Mr Laniel will have to fight hard for the life of his Government. A great deal will depend on what he says about Indo-China and the skill with which he says it.

One thing is considered certain. If he continues to say nothing at all about Indo-China, his Government is bound to fall. —Reuter.

## Explosions At Gas Works

Buenos Aires, May 12.

One man was killed and 18 were injured today in several explosions at a gas works in Parque Patricios, a suburb of Buenos Aires.

The engineer in charge and several workers were credited with preventing the explosion of a huge gas tank which could have levelled the entire district.

Despite successive explosions, they plunged through the flames to shut off the gasometer's valves. They accomplished their task but were overcome by smoke and flames. Other workers rescued them.

A large section of Southern Buenos Aires City was left without gas temporarily. —United Press.

## Fasting Pacifist Getting Weak

Geneva, May 12.

Vo Song Thel, 24-year-old Indo-Chinese pacifist who has been on hunger strike here for ten days, today told friends "do not come to see me any more—I am getting too weak."

Vo, who is fasting in a tent in the grounds of a village near the United Nations building where the Indo-China peace talks are being held, says he will not eat again until peace has been restored to his country. —Reuter.

## Local Elections Climax

### Polling In 395 Boroughs Today

London, May 13.

Britain's annual local Government elections reach their climax today (Thursday), when polling takes place in nearly 400 cities and towns throughout England and Wales.

As national political issues now enter largely into municipal campaigns, the results are anxiously awaited both by the Conservative Government and Labour parties as a clue to how they would fare if Sir Winston Churchill sprang a General Election this year.

Socialists hope to capture control in a number of important municipalities where their opponents have only marginal majorities.

The week-long municipal contests, which opened on Monday, have so far shown a slight swing to the left, with Socialists claiming net gains of 40 seats on 110 urban and rural district councils which have declared results.

A total of 395 boroughs—ranging in size from great cities like Liverpool and Manchester to small towns—are involved in today's turnover, but in 28 of them returned candidates have been returned unopposed to the vacant seats.

The elections are held on a three-yearly cycle, with one-third of the membership retiring annually. Present contests are in the most cases for groups of seats last vacant in 1951.

The present elections do not involve London's 28 Metropolitan boroughs, 19 of which are Labour ruled.

Dominant issues of the election are living costs in Britain, which Socialists blame the Government for allowing to rise, and the likelihood of higher house rents through new Conservative legislation allowing landlords to charge tenants for house repairs.

Socialists are concentrating on centres where power is now held narrowly by their opponents. —China Mail Special.

## 39 Terrorists Killed

Nairobi, May 12.

Thirty-nine Mau Mau terrorists have been reported killed in upcountry engagements north of Nairobi, including 20 in a two-day clash with a large gang around the Fort Hall area, East Africa.

Security forces in their running battle with an armed gang, estimated to be 50-strong, captured five and wounded an unknown number.

The Headquarters daily incident report, which has lately shown relatively small activity, called this action a "major engagement." —Reuter.

## Cruiser To The Rescue

Melbourne, May 12.

An Australian cruiser carrying the Governor-General, Sir William Slim, skinned tonight that she was towing a disabled Dutch landing craft with 20 men on board.

The cruiser, the Australia, picked up an SOS from the landing craft of the Royal Netherlands Navy earlier today and raced through rough seas to her aid.

The Dutch craft's engines broke down in the Coral Sea, about 100 miles off the Queensland coast, while on her way from Hollandia, in Dutch New Guinea, to Brisbane.

The Australia is on her last cruise before going to the ship breakers next month after 25 years' service. —Reuter.

## Peak Murder Sequel

### Man Charged In Court Today

A packed Court sat hushed as Lee Pak-to alias Toby Lee, 25, a clerk, of 69 Calne Road, top floor, stood in the dock at Central this morning and heard a charge of murder read out to him.

He was alleged to have murdered Tong Yuen-ching alias Sarah Tong at Harlech Road on December 31, 1953.

Defendant, perfectly groomed, listened calmly as the interpreter read the charge. Mr Hin-shing Lo, the Magistrate, cautioned him not to say anything as no plea was to be taken.

Div. Del-Insp. E. L. Thomas, who is in charge of the case, opposed bail applied for by defendant's Counsel, Mr W. Y. Cheung, and asked for a remand of seven days in gaol custody.

Mr Cheung asked the Court to arrange an early date for hearing if his application for bail was refused.

Mr Lo remanded Lee for seven days in custody.

## EDEN CANCELS ENGAGEMENT

London, May 12.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, has cancelled a speaking engagement in Britain on Friday night in order to stay on at Geneva, the Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, announced tonight. —United Press.

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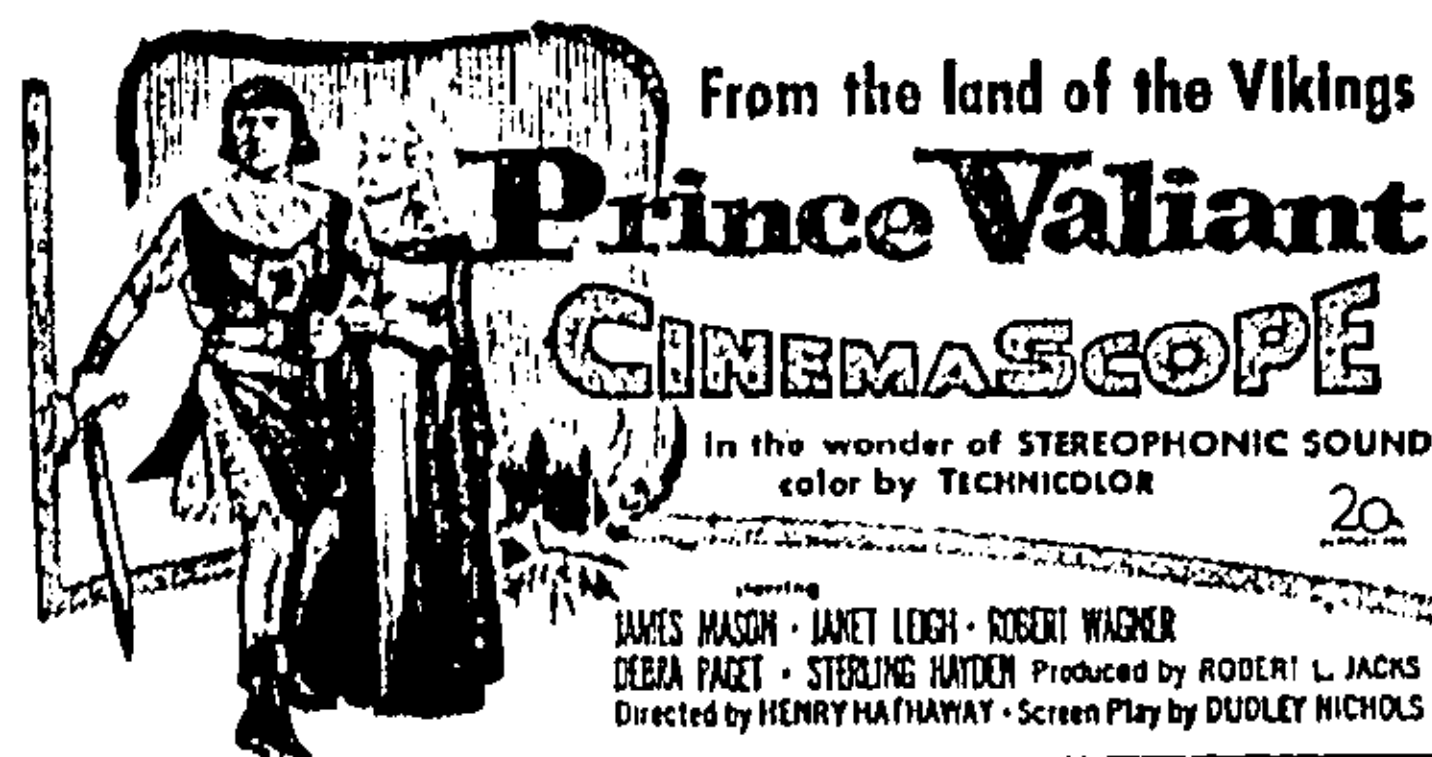
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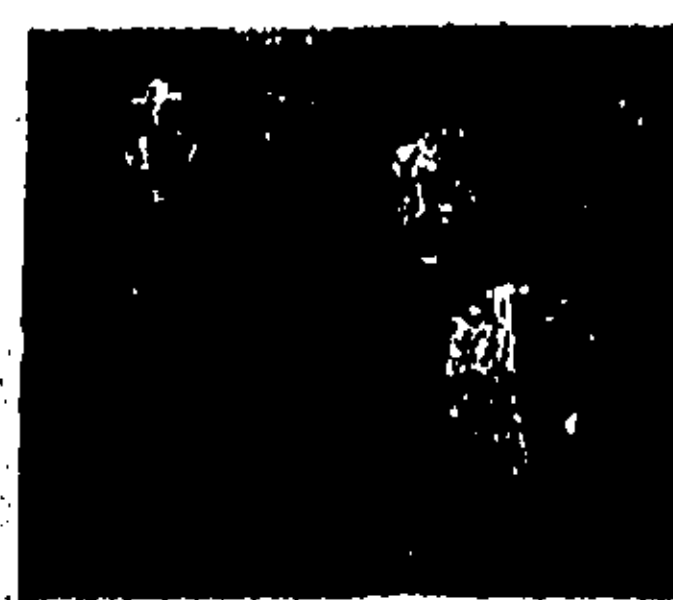
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## Full Independence Granted

# Secret Details Of Franco-Vietnam Treaty Disclosed

Geneva, May 12.

The hitherto secret texts of the proposed treaties of independence and association between Vietnam and France were disclosed in his speech at the Indo-China peace talks today by Vietnam Foreign Minister, Nguyen Quoc Dinh.

The treaties were mentioned in a joint declaration signed in Paris between France and Vietnam on April 28. This declaration said the two countries agreed to establish mutual relations on the basis of two treaties — one to recognise the full independence and sovereignty of Vietnam, the other to establish French-Vietnamese association in the French Union on the basis of equality.

The texts had never been published. Domestic political complications in France have delayed signature pending simultaneous adoption of conventions guaranteeing French nationals economic and cultural rights.

The following are the texts of the two treaties.

### Treaty of Independence:

1. France recognises Vietnam as a fully independent and sovereign state invested with full rights and obligations recognised by international law.

2. Vietnam takes over from France all rights and obligations resulting from international treaties or conventions concluded by France in the name of the state of Vietnam or all other treaties and conventions concluded by France in the name of French Indo-China, in so far as these affect Vietnam.

3. France undertakes to transfer to the Government of Vietnam all rights and obligations and public services assured by her on Vietnam territory.

4. The present treaty, which enters into force on the date of signature, abrogates all earlier

and contrary acts and dispositions. The instruments of ratification of the present treaty will be exchanged immediately following approval by the qualified institutions of Vietnam and France.

### Treaty of Association:

Vietnam and France, resolved in maintaining in friendship and confidence the ties which united them and affirmed their common will to develop their co-operation for the good of their respective peoples, have agreed on the following:

1. Vietnam and France affirm their will to associate freely within the French Union and decide by common agreement to proceed to the establishment of conventions which will be annexed to the present treaty and which alone will fix all conditions for the organisation and functioning of this association.

2. The President of the French Republic, who is President of the Union, incarnates in this title and position the idea of a lasting and friendly association between Vietnam and France, sovereign states equal in rights and duties.

3. Vietnam and France undertake to develop their free co-operation in High Council under the Presidency of the President of the Union. They will do this jointly to assure, as sovereign states under the principle of equality, co-ordination of their efforts and harmonisation of their respective policies in all matters of common interest.

4. The sessions of the High Council will be held twice a year and, in addition, at any time the member states deem it necessary.

5. The High Council will have a permanent general secretariat whose rules will be laid down by common agreement at the first session held after the application of the present treaty. These rules will take into consideration the inter-state character of the general secretariat.

6. The different judicial practices relative to the application and interpretation of the present treaty and conventions to be annexed will be taken before a court of arbitration composed of an equal number of Vietnam and French judges.

This court will decide by majority decision. In case of equal votes, the court will be enlarged by the admission of foreign judges. The rules of procedure, composition and functioning of the court will be fixed by common agreement between the contracting parties in a convention annexed to this treaty.

7. The present treaty, which enters into force on the date of signature, abrogates all earlier contrary acts and dispositions. The instruments of ratification of the present treaty will be exchanged as soon as it is approved by qualified institutions of Vietnam and France.

### ANNEXED CONVENTIONS

"After reading these two texts, Mr. Dinh said that French-Vietnamese negotiations for the annexed conventions to the treaty are now under way in Paris.

These conventions will conform absolutely to the basic principles of the treaties, he added.

"Thus the solemn and irrevocable promises made by France before the whole world concerning the independence of Vietnam will be realised," he declared. — Reuters.

## Italy's Stand On Trieste

Rome, May 12.

Italian Foreign Minister A. Piccioni said today that the Italian Government could not accept any temporary solution for the Trieste dispute with Yugoslavia, if it was worse than the solution envisaged by the Allied Tripartite Declaration of October 8, last year.

He also said that Italy could not accept a final solution for Trieste unless it was "better" than the Tripartite proposal.

The Foreign Minister was addressing the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Chamber of Deputies.

He told the committee that at the present stage of the discussions with Yugoslavia, it would be premature to speak of a division of the free territory. — France-Press.

London, May 12. Valuable collections of Japanese and Chinese textiles can be seen by the British public today as the result of the opening of two new textile studios at London's Victoria and Albert Museum.

Japanese and Chinese textiles are very rare in European museums, and those now on show are highly prized. There are 80 frames devoted to Japanese textiles, most of them containing large collections of specimens of Japanese weaving made by Nishikawa and Yoda Siebold in the last century. — China Mail Special.

## "Side-line" Meeting At Geneva



M. Chauvel (French Ambassador to Switzerland); Mr. John Foster Dulles, the American delegate; with M. Bidault and Lord Reading behind who will head the British delegation when Mr. Eden returns to London, seen as they walk in the grounds of M. Bidault's villa at Geneva. They had lunch there as M. Bidault's guests. — Express Photo.

# Colonial Deportation Without Trial Attacked By Liberal

London, May 12.

A letter in today's issue of "The Times" attacked deportation without trial in some British colonies.

The writer, Mr. Dingle Foot, Vice-President of the Liberal Party, said: "It is now 18 months since Mr. Lyttelton informed the House of Commons that most Colonial Governors had agreed to provide by legislation that judicial process should normally be obligatory before a British subject or a British protected person is deported from or rusticated within the territory.

"He added that correspondence was proceeding in the outstanding cases."

Mr. Foot said the correspondence must have been voluminous and protracted since on February 9 it was reported that replies had been received but the points involved, which were numerous and complex, were under consideration.

"It is not altogether easy to reconcile these two reports," the letter commented.

In October, 1952, the majority of Colonial Governors did not, it seems, envisage any insuperable difficulty in legislating to provide that a person threatened with deportation should be entitled to a judicial hearing.

"In 1954, the Government merely emphasised the complexity of the issues involved," Mr. Foot continued. "On Friday next Mr. Penner Brockway is to move in the House of Commons that the practice of deportation without trial in the colonies should end."

"It is to be hoped that this will command the assent of all three parties."

### THREE QUESTIONS

He added that even if this was too much to expect, perhaps answers would be given to three questions:

1. Since the Lyttelton answer in October, 1952, how many Colonies now had new legislation?

2. What steps had been taken to impress on Colonial Governments the importance of such legislation?

3. Why is it that in some Colonies a British subject can be deported by the Governor and in others de-

portees can appear before a judge?

4. Is the Government prepared to modify the emergency powers order-in-council, 1939, under which a Governor can declare an emergency and promulgate emergency regulations under which subjects may be deported or interned without defence or appeal.

### LESS DEFENSIBLE

"It is sufficiently remarkable that British subjects should at any time, which was not a time of acute emergency, have been exposed to arbitrary deportation from one part of the Commonwealth to another."

"Such drastic powers have become, however, even less defensible since the passing of the British Nationality Act, 1948, under which every person born in the United Kingdom or in a colony became a citizen of the United Kingdom and colonies by birth."

"Is not a citizen normally entitled to live and move freely in the colony of his birth?" — China Mail Special.

## Antique Clocks For Auction

London, May 12.

Part of one of the finest collections of antique clocks in the world is to be auctioned in London on May 27.

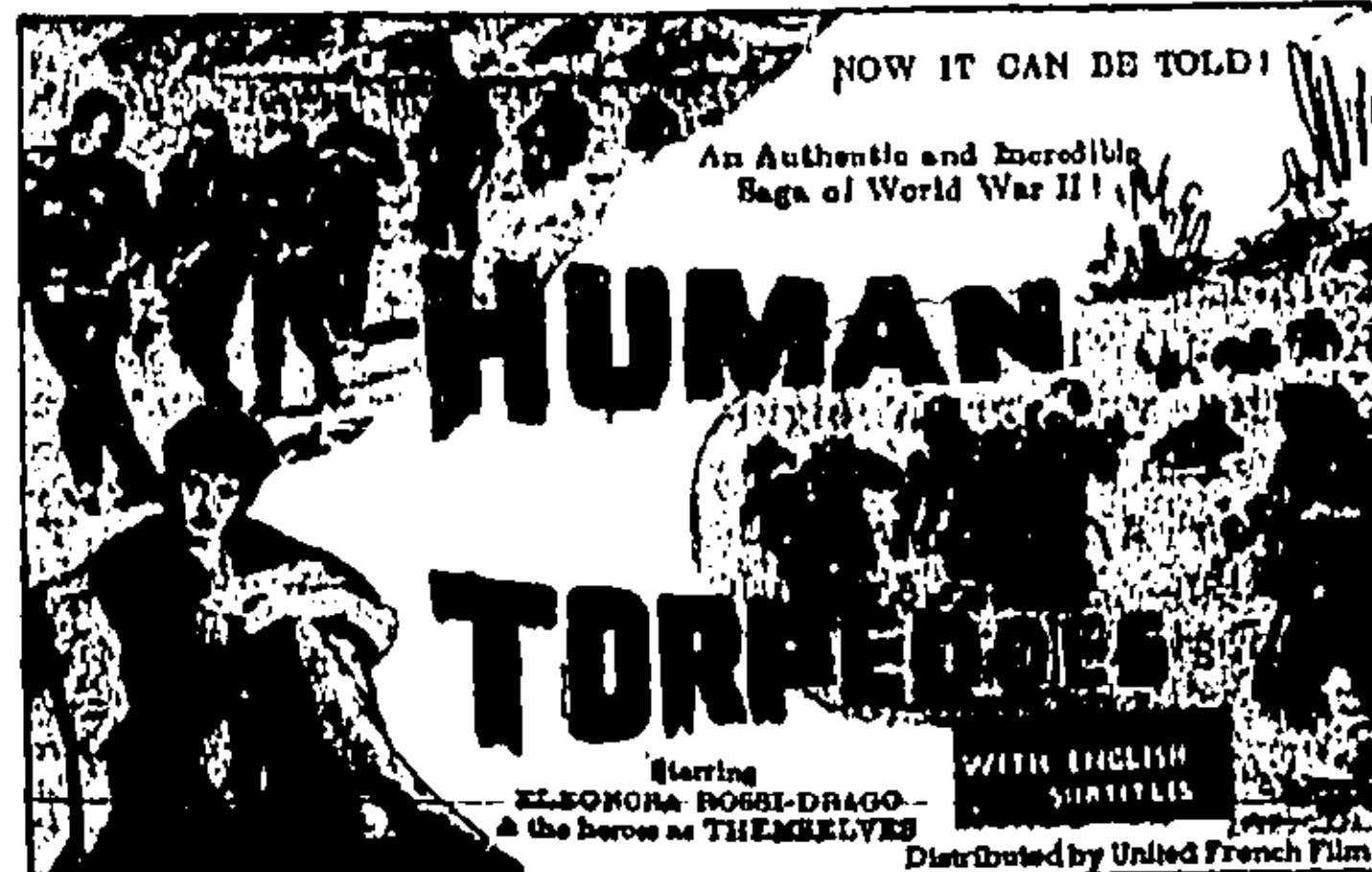
They include rare 16th and 17th century European times collected by the late Mr. Percy Webster, master of the British Clockmakers Company for over 40 years. — China Mail Special.

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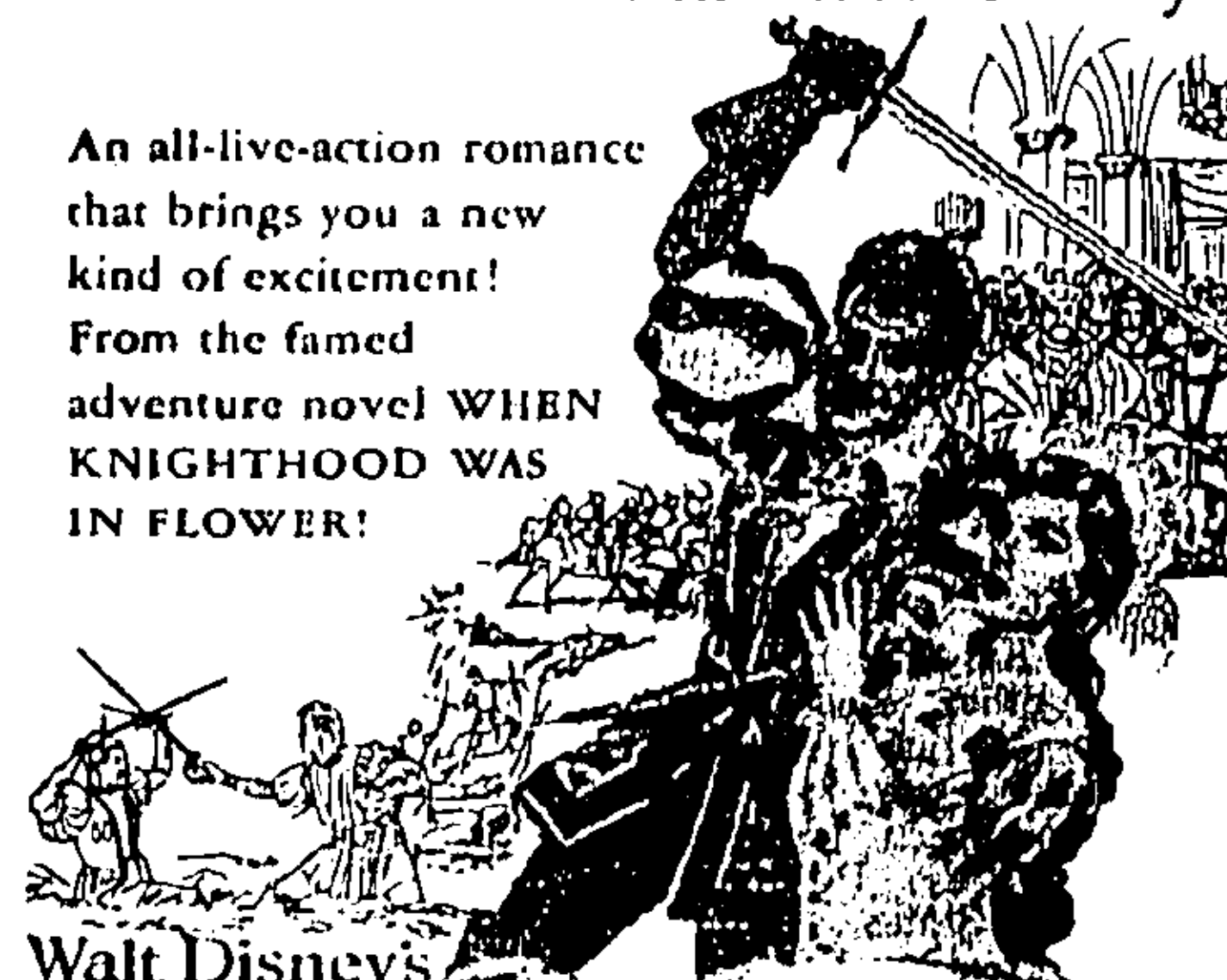


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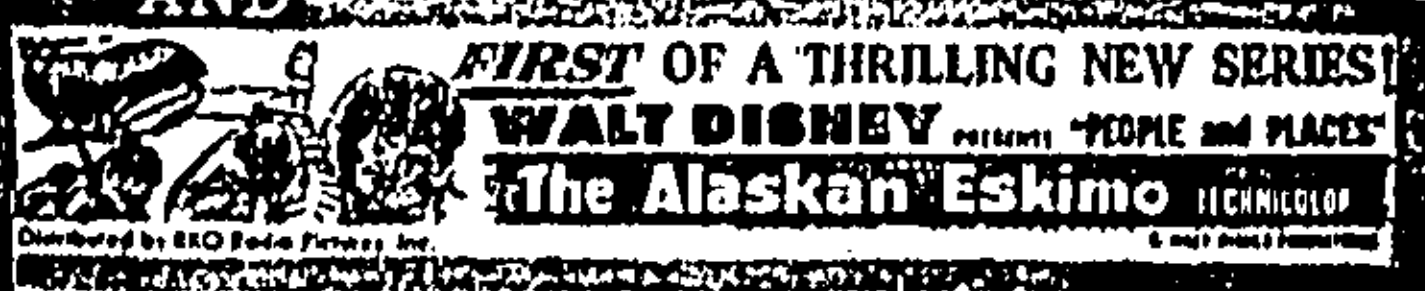


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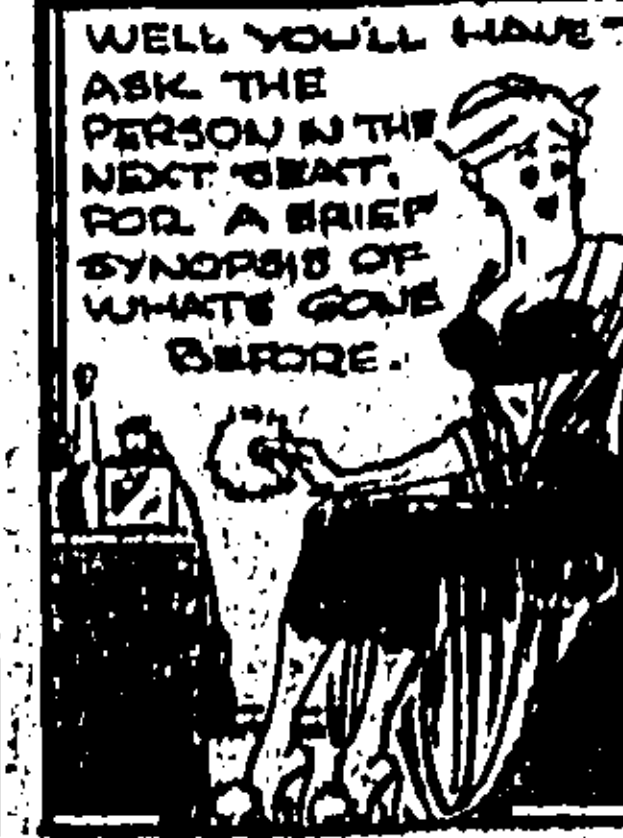
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## LONDON PLANS A HUGE WELCOME FOR THE ROYAL FAMILY

London, May 12.

A great bonfire near Margate will greet the Royal Family when the Royal yacht, Britannia comes into sight on the last splendid stage of the six months Commonwealth tour.

When the Mayor of Margate, Alderman Harry Ward lights the bonfire sometime after dawn it will be a signal to churches throughout the country to begin a joyous peal of bells to welcome the Queen and the Duke home.

Watchers will stay up all night on the north foreland cliffs of the Thames Estuary waiting for the first sign of the Britannia.

Present plans for the Queen's return call for ships of the Home Fleet to meet the Britannia on Friday as she passes Torquay in the English Channel and escort her East and North to the mouth of the Thames.

Lines of beflagged small boats and yachts will blaze a mighty welcome as the Britannia sails up the Thames. Later the Royal Family will board the Royal Barge which will take them to the landing stage at Westminster Pier.

The Queen Mother and Princess Margaret will meet them.

At Westminster a huge throng of Londoners will greet them.

## Suez Talks Are At A Standstill

London, May 12.

Anglo-Egyptian talks on the Suez Canal Zone were at a standstill and no British troops were being withdrawn, the House of Commons was told today.

The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, said the Government was waiting "to see how things settle down" in Egypt before making any further moves.

"There has been a good deal of change in the shift of power in Egypt in the past two weeks," he noted.

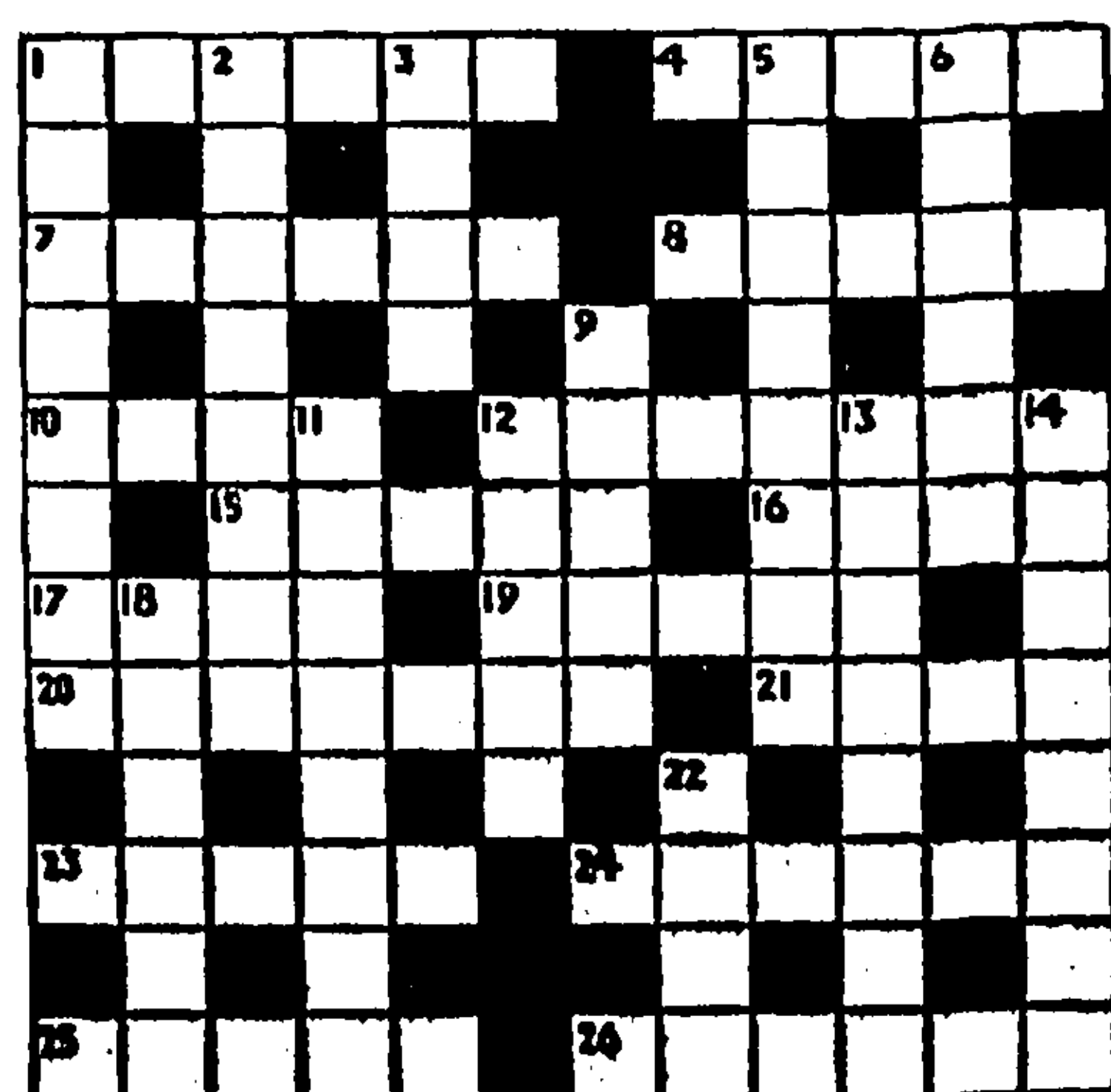
Mr. Lloyd replied to charges by a former Labour Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shawell, that Britain's position in the Canal negotiations "was not clear."

Mr. Shawell said that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, had "simply indicated a statement" in his last speech to the drawn-out dispute.

Mr. Lloyd replied that he had nothing to add to Mr. Eden's last statement.

On March 22 Mr. Eden said that conditions of confidence had to be created before negotiations could hope to succeed.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS  
1 Opportunity (6).  
4 Loose (5).  
7 Metal (6).  
9 Result (5).  
10 Communists (4).  
12 Compensation (7).  
15 Weird (5).  
16 In addition (4).  
17 Narrow road (4).  
19 Common-place (5).  
20 Pays up (7).  
21 Always (4).  
23 Swift (5).  
24 Bird (5).  
26 Margin (5).  
28 Accelerates (6).

DOWN  
1 Regulates (8).  
2 Mishap (6).  
3 Gang (4).  
5 Tear (5).  
6 Fondle (5).  
9 Nobleman (5).  
11 Boiling (6).  
12 Ceremonies (6).  
13 Lift (5).  
14 Famous Greek philosopher (6).  
16 Charge with gas (6).  
22 Frolic (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Ringlets, 6 Helmet, 9 Deposits, 11 Perturbed, 13 Ache, 15 Dobar, 18 Dales, 19 Look, 22 Molested, 24 Retainer, 25 Avenue, 26 Monolone, Down: 1 Shape, 2 Flare, 3 Reduced, 4 Item, 5 Good, 6 Evince, 7 Sister, 10 Petal, 14 Balcony, 15 Reserve, 16 Alarum, 17 Toots, 20 Harum, 21 Kilo, 22 Mint, 23 Lard.

## Salute For Britannia



The moment that thrilled Prince Charles as he watched in his sailor suit from "Britannia's" bridge. The moment? When his great-uncle Earl Mountbatten, C-in-C Mediterranean—in the "Glasgow"—ordered a 21-gun salute by escort ships. In the foreground is the cruiser "Gambia" and on the right the Royal Yacht.—Express Photo.

## Disarmament Talks Reopen In London Today

London, May 13.

Disarmament talks opening in London today will break new ground in an attempt to draw up plans for world control of atomic warfare through a balanced production of weapons.

The meeting was convened at last month's formal opening meeting of the five powers concerned in atomic development.

At this meeting a sub-committee of the United Nations Disarmament Commission was formed to consider atomic disarmament measures.

Work on a blue print for the stage scaling down of all types of arms. The meetings in London are to be secret in contrast to the public sessions on disarmament held previously by United Nations bodies.

The heads of delegations are: United States: Mr. Morehead Patterson, leading industrialist, specially nominated for the assignment by President Eisenhower; France: M. Jules Moch, former Defence Minister; Britain: Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, Minister of State; Canada: Mr. Lester Pearson, Minister of External Affairs, assisted by the Canadian High Commissioner in London, Mr. Norman Robertson; The Soviet Union: the Soviet Ambassador to Britain Mr. Jacob Malik.

Before the New York meeting of the sub-committee, Russia demanded that China, India and Czechoslovakia should also attend the talks. Diplomatic quarters said today that should this demand be repeated at the London talks it would be rejected again by the West. The Western view is that the composition of the sub-committee had already been fixed by the full commission.—Reuter.

## Japanese Love Stories Attacked

Tokyo, May 12.

Japanese women are "being fooled by outspokenly provocative women's magazines," Professor Taduo Uda of Kanazawa Women's University, Central Japan, complained in a newspaper article.

To illustrate his point he picked out a few titles of articles in recent Japanese women's magazines:

"Your Lover Is Right Beside You—How to Grasp Your Chance for Love."

"How to Use Your 'Yes' and 'No' to Build Your Happiness in Love."

"How to Make a Good Match."

"In addition to such articles, Japanese magazines for women also print candid writings of what young couples tell about their honeymoon trips," Professor Uda complained.

"Occasionally this may do, but by printing such stories all the time magazines are showing too much contempt for our women."—China Mail Special.

## "Monty" Tries His Hand As A Foundryman

London, May 12.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery yesterday poured the first mould to open a new foundry at Cwmbran Monmouthshire which will employ 500 people.

In accordance with custom, he threw a golden sovereign into a ladle of molten metal. Then donning a foundryman's protective clothing, he cast a commemorative plaque and went on to cast a diesel engine cylinder block.

The new foundry will produce cylinder blocks and other automobile engine parts.

The Chairman of Guest, Keen and Nestlé, Limited, proprietors of the foundry, Mr. J. S. Pocock, said his company made cast iron cannon balls at Cwmbran for the Chinese war and had done much work for both world wars during this century.—China Mail Special.

## Dulles Did Not 'Play Down' Indo-China Says French Envoy

Washington, May 12.

The French Ambassador, Mr. Henri Bonnet, said today he did not believe the United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, had "played down" the importance of Indo-China in his press conference statements yesterday.

Mr. Bonnet conferred with Mr. Dulles this afternoon for 30 minutes in a meeting at the State Department.

He was asked on leaving the meeting whether he had received any explanation of Mr. Dulles' remarks on Indo-China of the previous day.

Mr. Dulles had told a press conference that he regarded Indo-China as extremely important, but not essential to the preservation of the remainder of Southeast Asia from Communist control.

Mr. Bonnet explained that it had not been the purpose of today's meeting to discuss Mr. Dulles' statements.

NO MISUNDERSTANDING But he added, he felt that it had been explained very clearly since Mr. Dulles spoke by the State Department yesterday and by President Eisenhower who discussed the Indo-China situation when he held a press conference this morning.

"I don't think any misunderstanding could remain," the French Ambassador said.

"I think that neither the Secretary of State yesterday nor the President today played down the importance of Indo-China."

The French Ambassador said that, on the contrary, both Mr. Dulles and Mr. Eisenhower have emphasised the importance of Indo-China.

"I think we are firmly hopeful about the final results (in Indo-China)," he added.

NO REQUEST

Washington, May 12. Mr. John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State, told a Senate Committee today that there has been no request for United States troops to be sent to Indo-China.

He added that under present conditions, there was no basis on which American troops would be sent to Indo-China, Senator Alexander Wiley disclosed.—Reuter.

## CELEBRATION

London, May 12.

Willesden, Borough, London, intends to celebrate the end of meat rationing here in July by roasting a whole ox in public during its annual carnival.

It is looking for an expert to handle the spit.—China Mail Special.

## US Won't Allow India To Review War Criminal Sentences

Washington, May 12.

The United States today restated its opposition to India's participation with other second World War allied nations in reviewing the prison sentences of major Japanese war criminals.

State Department officials said a note was expected to be sent to the Nehru Government soon outlining the United States Government's views.

The Department issued a statement commenting on the Indian Government's protest against a decision by the United States and six other Governments to exclude it from joining in consideration of clemency proposals for the Japanese prisoners, 11 of whom are still held in Tokyo's Sugamo prison.

The statement said that provisions of the Japanese peace treaty stipulated that the power to grant clemency could only be exercised by Governments which were members of the new defunct International Military Tribunal for the Far East.

These nations were Australia, Canada, France, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Pakistan, Britain and the United States.

"Had India signed and ratified the treaty of peace with Japan, both India and Pakistan would, in the view of the Governments concerned, have been eligible to participate in decisions with respect to persons sentenced by the International Military Tribunal for the Far East," it said.

The State Department added that this position had previously been made clear to the Governments of Japan and India last year.

Officials said the Japanese Government had since sought clemency for several of the

## Boycott Lifted

## Ship Found Not Radioactive

Cairns, Queensland, May 12.

A dockers' boycott on the Chinese freighter, Hai Chang, was lifted here tonight after tests had shown the ship was not radioactive.

Port authorities yesterday dismissed 65 dockers who refused to unload the 7,223-ton vessel's cargo of cement because, they claimed, she had been in an area affected by the American hydrogen bomb tests on her way from Japan.

Dockers at other North Queensland ports will, it is understood, continue to boycott ships which may have passed through radioactive areas until they are proved safe.

Mr. J. Healy, General Secretary of the Australian Waterside Workers Federation, said tonight that all ships entering Australian ports should be tested for radioactivity.

If the authorities did not agree to this suggestion, the Federation would have to "take steps to protect its members," he said.—Reuter.

## The Fire Was A Nuisance

Invercargill, N.Z., May 12.

Mrs. A. E. Birch of Invercargill sat in the kitchen of her home listening to a radio serial without knowing that the fire brigade was fighting a blaze in the front bedroom of her house.

Eventually smoke became so dense she left her serial "at a real exciting part" and went to investigate. She was too late to rescue anything of value.—China Mail Special.

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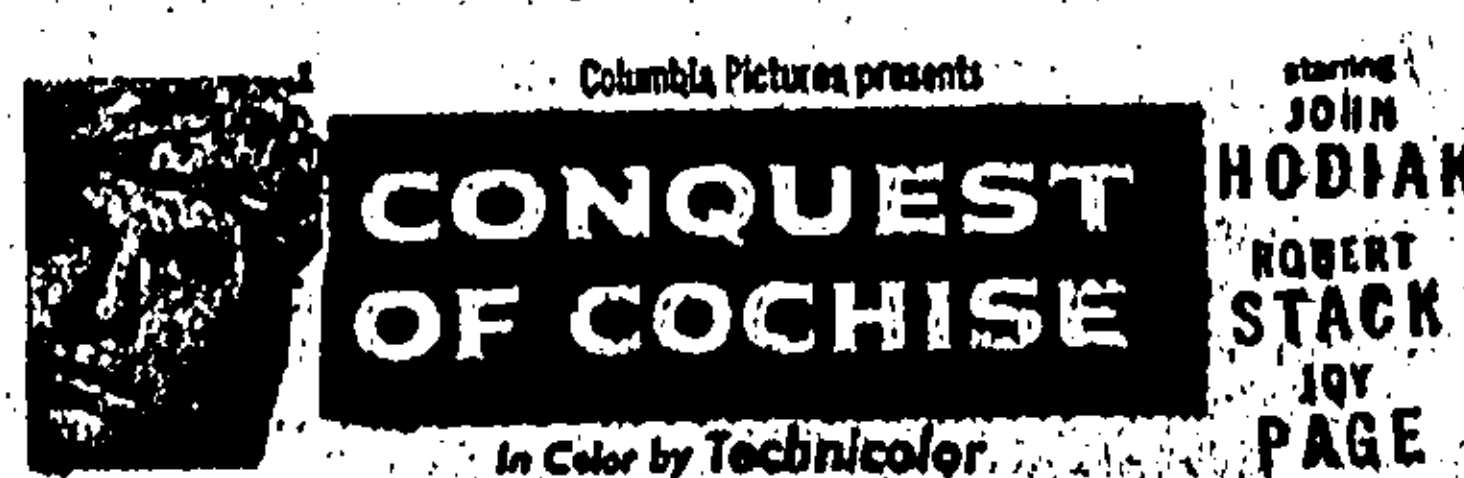


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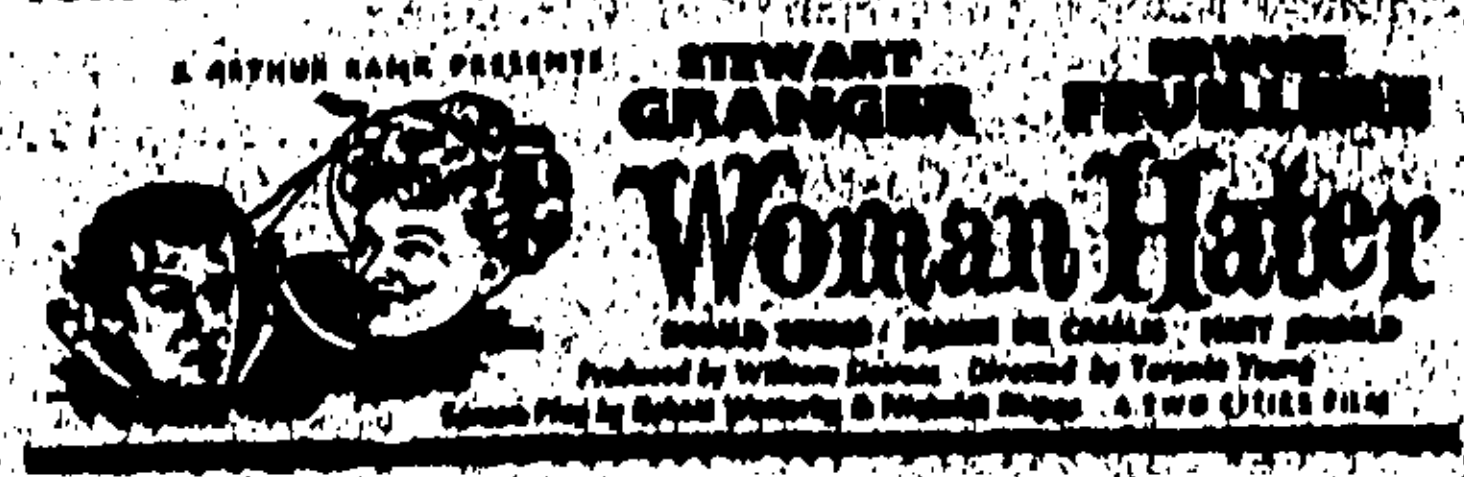
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# CAMPUS GOES GAY

## IN MAYTIME

Princeton, Tuesday. THE scientists Dr Albert Einstein and Dr Robert Oppenheimer live here in Princeton. Dr Oppenheimer, "the man who made the atomic bomb," is under suspension by the Government as a security risk, and Dr Einstein is under some criticism for speaking out for human rights and the dignity of the individual.

Princeton, one of the United States' most handsome university towns, is solidly behind both men. For the past ten days, like every other community, Princeton has had its eyes on the telecast of the McCarthy-Army hearings. It knows that McCarthy planned to investigate Oppenheimer before the Administration acted, and the Senator would be only too delighted to clash with Einstein.

Dr Oppenheimer has not been seen around and about Princeton since the secret hearings on his "security" began in Washington. He spends the week-ends at his home, Olden Manor, a big 19th-century farm-house, with his wife and two children. But the family don't drive into town as they used to do.

### Rallying round

MOST of the week Oppenheimer lives at an hotel in the capital. He will not discuss his case, but his associates will, and sincerely.

Herbert Mass, board chairman of the Institute for Advanced Study, says: "Dr Oppenheimer continues as a director of the Institute. We have never had any occasion to doubt his complete loyalty and sincerity." And the professors are enthusiastically backing Oppenheimer.

Dr Marston Morse, professor at the Institute's School of Mathematics, says: "It is very simple. Dr Oppenheimer's views don't coincide with those of

some of the advisers of this Administration. It is purely political."

And Dr George Placzek, an Austrian physicist now an American citizen, complains bitterly: "I consider it extremely dangerous to question a man's motives just because he disagrees. It is, after all, not only a scientist's right to argue his point of view—it is his duty."

### Week-end gaiety

IT is hard to realise in this lovely country town of tree-lined lanes and Gothic colleges that scholarly life is under attack or that life is not serene.

When I arrived over the week-end the campus was crowded with pretty girls, and Nassau Street, which bisects the town of Princeton, was blocked with open sports cars. Radios were blaring from dormitory windows and there was a good deal of shouting, laughter, and the clink of glasses. I asked my host, a journalist who has a farm near Princeton: "What goes on?"

He told me that this was house-party week-end, the beginning of the merry Maytime. Usually undergraduates are not allowed motor-cars on the campus and they ride the streets on bicycles. But last week-end was like a motor-car rally.

The Yankee-Doodle taproom of the Nassau Tavern was full of singing students and the young girls from Vassar, Wellesley, and Smith Colleges strolled on the lawn outside the Princeton Inn. The Spring house-parties are Princeton's brightest frolic. The parties began last Friday and continued almost non-stop until Sunday night.

The Institute for Advanced Study which Dr Oppenheimer heads has no direct connections with Princeton University, but the University is proud to have men such as Albert Einstein and Oppenheimer as members of their community.

Einstein, now 75, lives in a simple frame house, No. 112, in Mercer Street. Every morning except at week-ends a

station wagon calls for him and he is driven to the Institute for Advanced Study. Einstein is part of the Princeton scene.

He shuffles along the streets absent-mindedly, his white hair flowing, a bundle of books usually under his arm, and the pockets of his shabby, unpressed suit bulging with papers. Sometimes he carries a shopping bag. He is completely without artifice or pose.

The old scientist has been hurt by suggestions that he "get back to where he came from" in the crudest sections of the Right-Wing Press.

There is no television set at 112, Mercer Street, and the professor has not been following the McCarthy-Army hearings.

But Princeton itself, which has a 20,000 population and 2,000 undergraduates, is debating the McCarthy-Stevens showdown furiously.

This is an opulent, in some ways snobbish, university and several of its students are the sons of rich men, corporation presidents, big business executives, who might have feelings towards McCarthy. I can testify that their sons have none.

### Presbyterian

THERE is a strong Presbyterian influence at Princeton (Woolrow Wilson was Princeton's most famous President) which clashes head-on with McCarthyism.

Princeton has no industry except the pursuit of knowledge. But its prestige is so high that five polling firms, including the famous Dr Gallup, have Princeton addresses. Dr Gallup's findings that American audience interest in the televised McCarthy marathon is not as great as that during the Kefauver crime hearings do not convince me.

Almost every restaurant, private home, bar or grill where I called had the television set turned on to Channel 7 and the duel on Capitol Hill.

Princeton has dignity and beauty, and is rather uncomfortable about being thrust in the spotlight of the Oppenheimer case. It expects him to be cleared.



"Of course, boys and girls of intelligence learn infinitely more by rubbing shoulders with their playmates than they can possibly absorb in the classroom."

London Express Service

# KHRUSHCHEV MAY BE BUILDING AN EMPIRE

By Walter Kolarz

THE Soviet Government recently made an extraordinary diplomatic appointment in sending Nikolai Aleksandrovich Mikhaliov, First Secretary of the Moscow Communist Party, as Ambassador to Warsaw.

Mikhaliov went to the Polish capital as early as March 9, 1954, but he was then only a member of the Soviet delegation which attended the second Congress of the Polish Communist Party. Whether his diplomatic mission to Warsaw had then been decided or whether the decision was made later in the light of

the proceedings of the Polish Congress remains, of course, an open question.

It is certain, however, that the many shortcomings in the Polish Communist Party revealed during the Congress must have provided a strong additional reason for sending to Poland a powerful member of the Soviet hierarchy who could assist the Polish Communists in keeping order in their own house.

One has only to look at the Congress speech made by the

Polish leader, Bierut, to realise how much the Polish Communists required a new mentor. He complained about the weakness of the Communist Party in the countryside; called for a continuous purge of the Party ranks from adventurers and from bureaucratic elements; spoke of the need to get rid of people who would not accept criticism; complained that Party propaganda and agitation were not sufficiently militant; and mentioned the urgent need to give proper political guidance to the Polish Communist youth organisation.

### Two Overlords

To help the Polish Communist Party in overcoming its shortcomings and carrying out its new tasks, Mikhaliov is obviously the man. He has proved himself a first-class organiser, at first as Secretary-General of the Young Communist League (Komsomol) which he led for many years, and more recently as chief of the largest single organisation within the Soviet Communist Party—the Moscow Party branch. So, in future, there will be two Soviet overlords in Poland—Marshal Rokossovsky, imported as early as 1949 and Mikhaliov.

That a Party man instead of a diplomat should have been sent to Warsaw is not in itself surprising. It has been a practice of Stalin's successors to appoint Party officials to ambassadorial posts in satellite countries.

For instance, Fryubin, a former Third Secretary of the Moscow Communist City Committee, was sent in January 1954 as Ambassador to Prague. The new Soviet Ambassador to

Rumania, Molotov, is the former Ukrainian Party Secretary, and Mikhaliov's predecessor in Warsaw, Popov, is also a Party official. But none of these men, at the time of their diplomatic appointments, had held such top-ranking positions in the Soviet hierarchy as Mikhaliov.

The importance of Mikhaliov's transformation from a Party chief into an ambassador does not rest there, however. It also throws new light on the activities of Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet Communist Party's First Secretary.

### No Sense

Being ambassadors, the Mikhaliovs, Molotovs and Fryubins are, of course, from the formal point of view under the orders of Molotov, chief of the Soviet Foreign Office, and still the second man in the Soviet hierarchy after Malenkov. But in the present situation, when Soviet diplomats in Eastern Europe seem to be accredited to parties rather than to States, this formality makes sense no longer.

It stands to reason that Mikhaliov and Molotov owe primary allegiance to their

former boss, Khrushchev, even though they figure in the Soviet diplomatic list.

This successful invasion of Molotov's department by Khrushchev is not a mere personal gain which one Soviet leader scores over another. It is new evidence that absorption of the satellite countries by the Soviet Colossus has made further progress. Soviet satellite relations are more and more ceasing to be part of Soviet foreign affairs, and are therefore now more appropriately handled by the head of the Soviet Party Secretariat.

### Closed World

Independent of this sociological process, there exists, of course, the problem of Khrushchev's position. A year ago it was probably generally agreed among Soviet leaders not to revive the Party Secretariat in its old glory and not to make the new Secretary all-powerful. But whether they really succeeded in reducing the power of the Secretariat and of its head in favour of so-called "collective leadership" is another matter.

It has been generally noticed abroad, and not without surprise, that Khrushchev, and not Malenkov, has appeared as the chief speaker on Soviet Russia's main problem—the crisis in agriculture and livestock breeding. This may be a symbol of the growing influence and prestige of the new Party Secretary, but it could also be due to the reluctance of the other Party leaders to shoulder the responsibility for a gigantic failure in Soviet policy.

Which of the two alternatives applies? It is impossible to say for the time being, for the Kromlin, though thrown open for balls and parties, is still a secluded world in itself, much as it was in Stalin's time.

# A NATION UNSULLIED

By LES ARMOUR

OF all the kingdoms on this united island, the one that appeals most directly to us is Wales.

Irrationally, the name conjures up pictures of burly gents howling coal out of a blue-green mountainside against an incidental chorus of "Men of Harlech." Off to one side we see Aneurin Bevan declaiming heroically on the evils of vermin and the brotherhood of man, while the shade of Dylan Thomas addresses odes to a tankard of beer.

Nothing mars the picture. It is not on record that anyone ever built an H-bomb in Wales, and no one has ever been heard to curse the "imperialist oppressor Welsh."

True, there is a nursery rhyme which associates the characteristics of being a Welshman with that of being a thief. But this, surely, is a mere come-be-a-part-of-the-country's-charm valence to preserve the meter. What can one expect from a

Somewhere, we know, there must be a flaw. And, sure enough, Lord Ogmore rose in the House of Lords to expose it.

"Many people come to England," he said sadly, "but few come to Wales."

The trouble, it seems, is the food and the beer. The food, because it is apt to appear to the tourist as uniformly bad, and because if the tourist happens to get a hotel or a restaurant after the moment when they think it is proper for them to close he does not get anything at all, however long his journey may have been and however ill or hungry he may be."

The beer is troublesome because, on a Sunday, a hotel keeper may serve a drink to his guest but not to the guest of his guest.

people prepared to struggle with a language no foreigner can learn and few can pronounce, and who countenance a railway station with a 42-syllable name?

The food, at any rate, is probably an insoluble problem. Even Lord Ogmore concedes that it is probably no worse than the English kind.

The beer matter may exhibit a sound principle. Lord Ogmore is no doubt right when he sees no more reason to fear for the morals of the guest of the guest than for those of the guest.

But what about the guest of the guest of the guest?

Surely the thing must have a limit.

Lift the limit and you will probably find the local fireman's band and 16 supporters of Nye Bevan, armed with a petition, in the bar.

We may be able to play fast and loose with the morals of American tourists, but the integrity of Mr Bevan's supporters must be protected at all costs.

## CAFE SOCIETY WHIRLIGIG IN LONDON'S WEST END

# IT'S EASY TO JOIN

## But Gold Or Gimmicks Help

### By EVE PERRICK

LONDON. THERE are many ways into cafe society. You can pay your way in by calling on an experienced hostess to stage a season for you. You can use the "charity" approach if you are clever in picking the right charity.

But more often than not the way to the cafe society stars is either a matter of chance encounters or stepping off, and out, on the right foot.

As an example of the right-step routine, there is that prominent and permanent Man About Town, Charles Wilson.

Thirty-seven-year-old Mr Wilson lives in Park Lane, works in the City, is invited to all the liveliest parties, is a member of all the best clubs, and one pigeon-hole in his desk is simply stuffed with letters of introduction brought to him from people all over the world who seek his help in getting a start in London life.

This is how he started.

### On the list

AS the 20-year-old son of a shipping merchant, well connected, of rather more moderate means, he came to town from Hertfordshire in 1937.

He entered Lloyd's, a good operational base, to learn about insurance broking, and lived with relatives in Hyde Park-gate. That background was strong enough to get him on the club-dance lists, although he did not know any of the debs.

He was good looking, a success with debs' mothers, and polite to the plainer daughters. A little later, as an established "eligible" bachelor and as a

break from the deb-dances, he began taking out the current tonks of the town—the young ladies of the Dorchester Palaces. That gave him the reputation of being a gay young bloke—always to be seen with a pretty girl.

When he came out of the Army (he was in the Guards) he took over his father's business. That gave him diplomatic contacts.

So today there he is, enjoying the social security of all sides of the cafe crowd, and getting, he says, rather tired of it all.

### So affable

OUTSTANDING example of the meeting that led to a celebrated career in the cafes? The one between the young man from Manchester turned Mayfair photographer, Baron Nahum, and the Mountbattens.

It happened in Malta in 1935.

Baron was on his way back from Tobruk, where he had been taking pictures, and stopped off at the British naval base where Lord Louis was in command of the destroyer Wishart.

They had a mutual friend. Baron was invited to stay the week-end by Lady Mountbatten.

Back in London the Mountbattens introduced Baron to the Duke and Duchess of Kent, who became his first royal allies.

Mr Nahum, a spry, 47-year-old bachelor (a useful status in cafe society), is an affable type who so often finds that his clients become his after-office-hours companions.

He also takes pictures of film stars, model girls, ballet dancers, painters, and philosophers—and racehorses too these days. So you can see his position in the cafe society stakes remains well in the lead.

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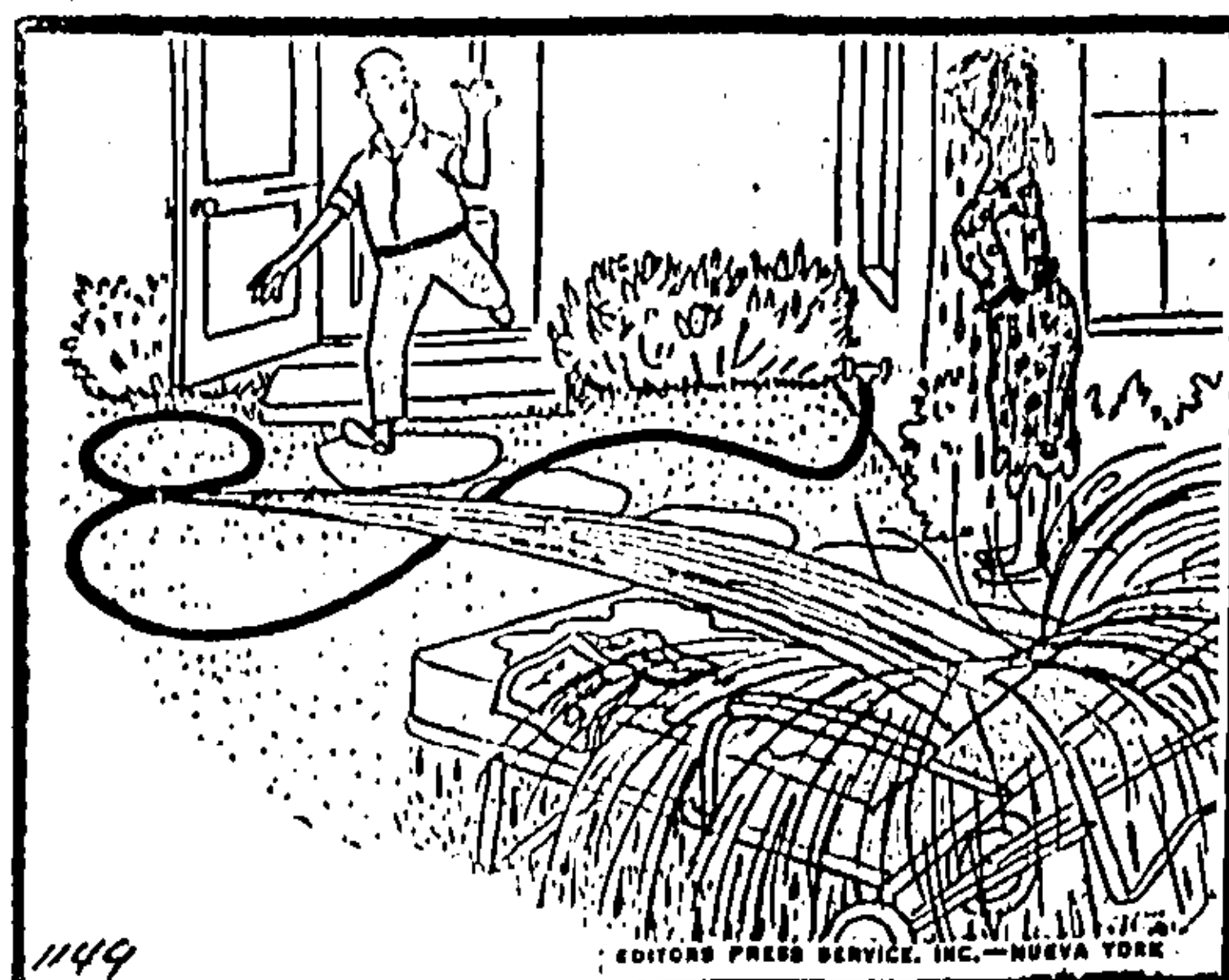
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## • BY THE WAY • by Beachcomber

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And what is the International Ping-Pong Congress going to say to Bushua Bu Mulla ("Shining Mud Under The Moon"), the girl who plays with a coat-sleeve? "For the love of the love of Asia," at the song in my next-post youth.

### The nose-flute

THE return of a composer to include a nose-flute in his repertoire is a reasonable thing. He would not be heard among the other instruments. But if he interpolated a solo passage for it, the senses would be ravished. I suspect that the real reason for his return was that he thought it would look silly and make people laugh. So Gerald Hatz, the greatest flautist of our time, has said that the nose-flute must be used judiciously as it is an alien instrument. "Rightly or wrongly," he said, "we in England have never regarded the nose-flute as a means of musical transmission. It is added, with a laugh, to the common or garden melody."

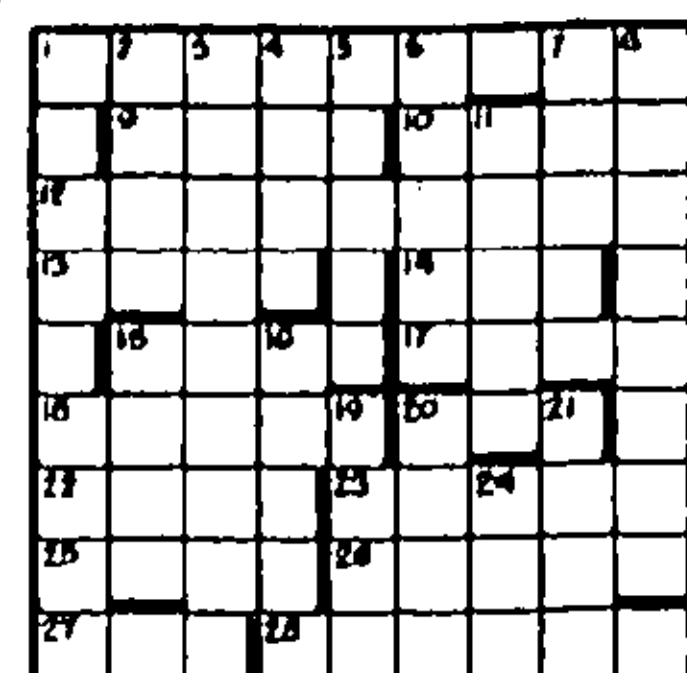
### Maion Hatz

EUGENE BURSTAWAY, the man's shoe designer, is showing at Maion Hatz a bowler with a triangular ventilation hole in the crown. It is called the J-tent. Another of his designs is a pair of trousers with a waistband which can be worn upside down, as it is shaped identically at top and bottom. For the really smart man there is a black felt hat with a large ticket-pocket at the side of the crown, so that when the hat is laid in the hand there is no need to fumble in the coat or waistcoat for money, food, or cigarettes. Maion Hatz is also showing an overcoat with a glass panel let into the left-hand lapel. This protects the buttons without hindering it.

### Post-peace credits

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- It's odder, inside a ding. (9)
  - If someone goes this far, you, there's a price on your head. (4)
  - True Ming's just across from Europe. (6)
  - If you're this, you can't follow the lead. (9)
  - Diamonds, pearls. (4)
  - Honey pot for a bee. (3)
  - I'm master of this, and captain of my soul, according to Heiney. (4)
  - However, but not (careful now) the Royal Engineers. (4)
  - If you're in this, you'll triumph eventually. (5)
  - It's a swine from the pier, maybe. (3)
  - These days aren't these days! (6)
  - 2b. Sure, otherwise. (4)
  - Warm-out one is lightly cast aside they say. (5)
  - Wise one may sound slightly pompous. (4)
  - I'm a loving club. (6)
- Down
- He's a character in a poetic drama. (3, 4)
  - It makes music. (4)
  - See 1. Down.
  - Start of disservice makes a market town. (4)
  - People with dexterity. (6)
  - You may do this with a loan, a slice of a family. (5)
  - Your brother's daughter. (5)
  - The one who is the cliff. (3)
  - Each boy scout has one. (6)
  - Arabian fruits. (4)
  - Mr. this means a gas many. (6)
  19. It's a m. a. n. (4)
  20. Sell makes up in ease. (4)
  21. 8 o'clock. (4)
  22. 24. It's the first note. (3)

Editor's solution.

## • JACOBY ON BRIDGE •

### Signals Will Pay In Bridge Game

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE purpose of a defensive signal is to give your partner vital information. If the signal cannot be read, it has failed in its purpose. These obvious facts were missed in a recent team of four match, with rather interesting results. Strangely enough, at both tables the South player decided

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♦	43	52
♣	KQ108	A32
SOUTH (D)		
♠	K98	
♥	KJ	
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♣	J76	
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South	West	North
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2	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	
Opening lead—♠K		

to open the bidding with one no-trump. The count is only 15 points, but the strong five-card suit seemed to offer adequate compensation. Both South players got their just deserts when they were bounced into a slam contract by their partners.

It is impossible to blame North for taking an ambitious view with his hand. He had a count of 10 points and knows that his partner should have from 16 to 18 points. North has two fairly good four-card suits and should expect that there will be a reasonable play for the slam.

The fault for the rather foolish bidding lies with South. Almost any bid can be shaded by one point, but it doesn't pay to shade the bids that promise a definite number of points, such as opening bids in no-trump.

In the first room, West opened the king of clubs, and his partner signalled enthusiastically by playing the three of clubs. This card may have looked like an enthusiastic signal to East, but it was far too deep for West to read.

West feared that South was holding off with the ace-jack of clubs. He therefore shifted to a spade, hoping that declarer would not have 12 tricks. South heaved a big sigh of relief and spread the hand for the rest of the tricks, making his slam contract.

When the hand was played in the other room at the same ridiculous slam contract, West likewise led the king of clubs. In this case, the East player was too cautious to leave anything to chance. Fearing (quite wisely) that South would not be able to read the meaning of the three of clubs, East overtook with the ace.

East then returned a club to make sure of defeating the contract. West continued with the clubs, taking five tricks to set the contract four! The difference between the two defenses amounted to 1,840 points.

### • CARD SENSE •

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West 1 Heart Pass 2 Diamonds Pass 3 Clubs Pass ?

Y. South, hold: Spades 8-6-2, Hearts K-J-2, Diamonds K-Q-J-8-5, Clubs K-2. What do you do?

A—Bid four hearts. The jump is necessary to show that you have a decided preference for hearts and extra strength. Your response of two diamonds promised only 10 points, and you actually have 13 points in high cards, 1 point for the doubleton, and at least 1 extra point for high cards in your partner's suit.

### TODAY'S QUESTION

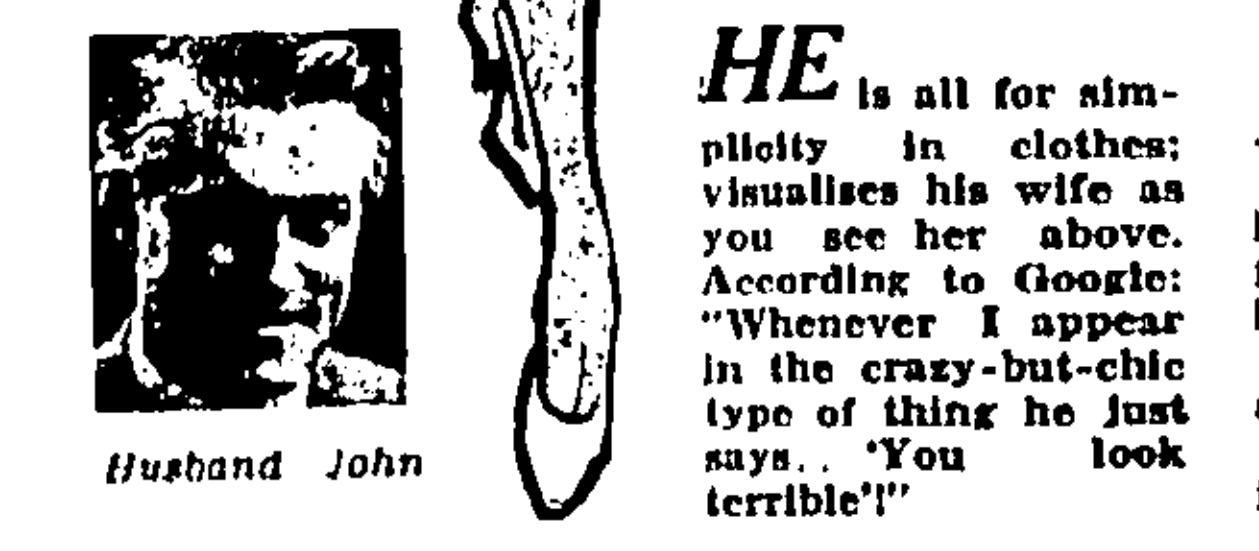
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-6-2, Hearts K-J-2, Diamonds K-Q-J-8-5, Clubs 3-2. What do you do?

Answer tomorrow

### DUMB BELLS



# WOMANSENSE



Husband John

HE is all for simplicity in clothes; visualizes his wife as you see her above. According to Google: "Whenever I appear in the crazy-but-chic type of thing he just says, 'You look terrible!'"

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## She Wins On Points Of Common Sense

By SHIRLEY LOWE

GOOGIE WITHERS looked at the London sunshine

and said wistfully: "How I'd love to get into white tulle or something!"

The place was a dressing-room at the St James's Theatre. Robb, the fashion artist, and I were there to meet 37-year-old Miss Withers and her actor husband, John McCallum.

The talk turned to garden parties, those annual tests of fashion sense.

And so we put the Trial by Fashion question to the McCallums: What would you, Miss Withers, like to wear—and what would you, Mr McCallum, like to see your wife wearing—at a garden party?

A honey dress and honey shoes

Google thought again about the weather, and made her choice: A lace-over-organza dress in a honey colour, with vaguely boat-shaped neckline, fitting bodice, and very full skirt.

To wear with the dress — which Robb draws on the right, Nylon mesh, honey-colour shoes, and white gloves.

"I've no swan-like neck," said Google, "so I choose a single row of choker pearls, matching pearl-and-diamond earrings. And, as a large hat is not practical in the wind, I will dress up a small straw hat with a large cabbage rose at each side and a tiny eye veil."

Finally, as money is no drawback in this dream outfit—a mink stole.

☆ NOW for the husband's view. John McCallum — 38 years old, with silver grey hair — "not one of the mink brigade boys," says his wife. Said he: "It's the woman you want to show off, not the dress."

He chose the simple white cotton dress with a criss-crossed raised pattern of grey-blue that you see on the left. It has a low neck-line, nipped-in waist and full skirt of unpressed pleats.

☆ ROBB sums up: "Both designs are most attractive. Google has chosen a style which suits her and has the right amount of glamour for a film star. John has chosen something in which he knows his wife looks lovely."

But Google has wisely picked a small hat against the cold.

"On points of common sense—and for humouring the weather—the wife wins her case."

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## Pakistan XI In Action



The Pakistan Test Cricket Team who are making their first England tour played their first practice game on arrival against the Indian Gymkhana Club at Osterly last week.  
Photo shows Alimuddin, one of their batsmen, playing a ball back to the bowler. (Topical Press).

## Royal Navy Scores A Decisive 8-1 Victory

By OUR BOXING CORRESPONDENT

A few minutes after six o'clock last night Leading Seaman Townsend of the Royal Navy stepped down from the boxing ring at the Mission to Seamen to sustained rounds of applause after his magnificent victory over RDSN Nunez of USS Erben.

It was great moment for the gallant sailor out in many ways it was a sad one too... for after 156 contests this was Townsend's farewell to the ring he has graced for so long.

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The British boy fought in traditional style, upright and on his toes and the accuracy of his punching, both to head and body, gave him a clear victory. Nunez did many clever things and often punched hard but this was Townsend's night.

The fight was one of the highlights of the Red Duster Tournament between the United States Navy in Hongkong and the Royal Navy in Hongkong. The tournament produced a great deal of thrilling, rather than chaotic, boxing and the Royal Navy claimed a decisive victory by 8 bouts to 1.

Seaman Holder of the USS Los Angeles may forget his visit to Hongkong, but as long as he is interested in boxing I doubt if he will forget S. M. Geraghty's lethal left hand.

He should have little difficulty in remembering it for in the 75 seconds the bout lasted he saw it from every possible angle... or, on second thoughts, maybe he didn't. It hit him so many times, and so hard, that he could have been pardoned for calling an immediate 'enough', but in actual fact when almost everyone at the ringside waited for Geraghty to bring over the finishing left he suddenly decided to add a spot of variety to the proceedings and crashed a

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## Tennis Exhibition Matches On Saturday

The exhibition tennis matches arranged for Wednesday were postponed owing to the wet ground and will be played off on Saturday, at the Hongkong Cricket Club, commencing 8 p.m.

The following is the revised programme:

5.00 p.m.: Mrs. Scholes & Mrs. M. Chow vs. Miss Philip & Mrs. Ip (Koon-hung).  
6.00 p.m.: Ip Koon-hung vs. K. C. Dao.  
6.00 p.m.: Edwin Tsai vs. V. T. Wang.  
6.30 p.m.: Ip Koon-hung & V. T. Wang vs. Edwin Tsai & K. C. Dao.

## Defence Force Centenary Tennis Tourney

The first round of the Centenary Tennis Tournament being organised by the Royal Hongkong Defence Force was played off on Wednesday.

The competition is being run on American tournament lines in divisions of four with the top two teams in each division going forward to the semi-final, which will be played off on Wednesday, May 19.

The winners of each half of the semi-final will play off a three-set match on Wednesday, May 26, at Kowloon Cricket Club.

First round results were as follows:

"A" Division at Ladies Recreation Club:  
Marques & Chung (HQ Coy.) beat Robertson & Gauntlett (HKAAP) 6-3 beat Ng & Mills (HKNRVR) 6-3.  
Mills & Ng beat Robertson & Gauntlett 6-2.

"B" Division at Chinese Recreation Club:  
Goldman & Pritchard (HQ Units) beat Machado & Osmond (B Coy) 6-3, beat Ramler & Rosario (HKAAP) 6-2.

Machado & Osmond beat Ramler & Rosario 6-2.

"C" Division at Club de Recreio:  
Gosano & Rodrigues (HQ Coy) beat Dabber & Ho (S.P. Coy) 10-1, beat Chury & Richards (HKNRVR) 10-1.

Dabber & Ho beat Chury & Richards 6-3.

"D" Division at Kowloon Cricket Club:  
Gonsalves & Reed (H.G.) beat Fincher & Smith (H.G.) 7-4, beat Moore & Bell (HKAAP) 10-1.

Moore & Bell beat Fincher & Smith 6-3.

The Semi-Finals on May 19, at 5.15 p.m. will be played off as follows:

Top Half at Ladies Recreation Club:  
Goldman & Pritchard, Marques & Chung, Dabber & Ho, Fincher & Smith.  
Bottom Half at Club de Recreio:  
Gonsalves & Reed, Gosano & Rodrigues, Machado & Osmond, Ng & Mills.

## Interest In English Cricket Will Centre On Domestic Issues

By DENNIS HART

It casts no reflection on the Pakistan touring team to say that much of the interest in the current English cricket season will centre around domestic issues—the destination of the championship.

In the past twelve months, England have completed two exacting Test series, one against Australia, the other in the West Indies leaving those who watched the games and followed them on the radio limp with excitement.

County games were pushed unavoidably into the background. Yet they are the mainstay of English cricket and as such deserving of more attention.

The shadow of wider international cricket will not be entirely removed from this summer. Pakistan have been afforded four Tests, each of five days' duration. And at the close of the season the England team will for Australia in defence of the Ashes. Who makes the trip depends on who gets the wickets and runs in the intervening period.

The selection Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. H. S. Alham, will be watching points with great care. For far from deciding the nucleus of England's team, twelve months' high-powered Test cricket has increased selectorial problems.

No more is this so than in batting. Only one position remains constant—Len Hutton as opener. A dozen players have been tried as his partner. None has seized the opportunity to make the position his own.

HUTTON-LIKE QUALITY  
One who should come back into the reckoning this summer is Frank Lawson, the man who opens Yorkshire's innings with Len. Lawson has a Hutton-like quality to give his claims a boost—concentration.

It is to lack of this essential that many of England's batting ills can be traced. In the West Indies it prevented such attractive stroke players as Peter May and Tom Graveney fulfilling their promise. Conversely Denis Compton, by ill-gotten application, looked better as the tour progressed.

The news from the bowling front is considerably brighter. The problem here looks to be who to leave out.

One county alone is capable of supplying a complete England attack. The county is Surrey. For they have Alec Bedser, who needs no introduction, and newcomer Peter Loader, a fast bowler of immense potential. Spin is in the capable, twitching fingers of Tony Lock and Jim Laker.

This bowling strength makes Surrey favourites to win the county championship for the third successive year—a feat last performed by Yorkshire in 1937-38-39.

ATTACKING CRICKET  
Inspired by Stuart Surridge, who captains with as much enthusiasm as he bowls, Surrey play attacking cricket. None of this negative leg-side theory. The stumps are the target all the time.

The batting has not the same match-winning quality. But Peter May, David Fletcher and Subba Row, leading scorer for Cambridge University last summer, are well able to hold any initiative gained by their colleagues.

Surrey's closest challenge, I fancy, will come from the North; from Yorkshire, who should expectance that long-awaited revival of their traditional rivals, Lancashire.

On paper, Yorkshire have almost as strong a side as in pre-war days, when the White Rose ruled English cricket.

Like Surrey, and, indeed, England, their fortunes should improve with increased bowling strength. More than anything the attack made Yorkshireshire cricket. Recent seasons have seen them switch their bowlers match after match and their power has declined.

THREE 'IFS'  
This season they should emerge from the doldrums. Depending on three 'ifs' their attack can match Surrey's. The quickest against medium fast Bob Appleyard, super fast Freddie Trueman and all-rounder Brian Close.

Appleyard, of Alec Bedser pace, burst on to the cricketing scene in 1952. His 200 wickets in his first full season was an unparalleled performance.

It placed him on the threshold of an outstanding career. Then, disaster. He went down with pleurisy. This, and ensuing complications, put him out of action for two years. Now, after special treatment in Switzerland, he attempts his come-back.

Second on the come-back list is Brian Close, 23-year-old, twice performer of the double, inactive last season owing to a soccer injury.

Problem player number three, Freddie Trueman, has to overcome not physical injury, but temperament. His potential is enormous. His bowling in the

## Judo Rejected By The IOC

Athens, May 12.

An application by Japan to have judo included in the Olympic sports programme was rejected today by the International Olympic Committee.

The streamlining of the Olympic sports programme was the main problem tackled by the Committee.

Sixteen recommendations were adopted, principal of which was the retention of team events (football, hockey, basketball and water polo), but with the proviso that the number of teams in each competition be reduced to 10 before the opening day of the Olympiad.

The summer Olympiad programme was not reduced and the Committee rejected applications to have new sports and extra events included for women.

Reserves for individual events will not be allowed in future. New sports unsuccessfully recommended were (with applicants): Volleyball (Soviet bloc), archery (Scandinavia), judo (Japan), and roller skating (Portugal and Switzerland).

It was also decided that before the IOC allocate the Games to any city in future, a guarantee must be given that that city will be able to hold all the compulsory sports in their usual form.—Reuter.

## COHEN YET TO HEAR FROM CARRUTHERS

London, May 12.

Bobby Diamond, manager of French heavyweight champion Robert Cohen, said today he had heard nothing from Australia to the effect that world titleholder, Jimmy Carruthers, was to defend his title against Cohen in Dublin on August 6.

He was commenting on an Irish News Agency report quoting him as saying that his fighter would take on Carruthers.

The report said that Carruthers had been guaranteed £12,000 by a syndicate set up to promote the fight.

"The Irish News Agency phoned me to say that Dr Jimmy McGill (Carruthers' manager) had claimed in Sydney the fight was almost all set. I said yes, and that is all. I would, of course, like such a scrap but I have heard nothing from Australia about it," Diamond said.—United Press.

final Test at the Oval last summer, against the Australians, and in the final Test at Jalandhar, against the West Indians, was in the Larwood class. But in between, "Flicky Fred" set down an awful lot of rubbish.

If he can master his temperament, and Close and Appleyard overcome their injuries, Yorkshire will take a lot of stopping.

HAS THE EDGE  
With England left-arm spinner Johnny Wardle supplying body to the bowling, the attack should satisfy the demands of the keenest critics in the world—Yorkshire spectators.

The batting, bolstered by the unsinkable Len Hutton, has the edge over the reigning champions.

Lancashire, too, look to bowling strength to press their claims. They have fast bowler Brian Statham—the success of the West Indies tour—off-spinner Roy Tattersall and leg-spinner Bob Berry to get among the wickets.

Cyril Washbrook, one of the three new professional captains this season, leads the run-getters.

So the stage is set for a grand struggle, North v. South, Lancashire v. Yorkshire. With the emphasis on attack, it should be a campaign to be remembered, and that can do English cricket much good.

## Hongkong To Be Asian Football Headquarters

Manila, May 13.

Hongkong, one of the most active football centres in the Far East, has been chosen as the headquarters of the Asian Football Confederation, it was learned here yesterday.

Officers of the Confederation include Mr. J. M. Cleland of the Philippine Amateur Federation, Wing Commander H. A. Soof of Pakistan, Mr. Lee Wai-long of China, and Mr. Nguyen Phuoc-vong of Vietnam as members of the Executive Committee.

Another member of the executive body will come from the Japanese Football Association which will name a representative shortly.

Members of the Confederation are Afghanistan, Burma, China, Hongkong, India, Israel, Japan, Korea, Pakistan, Singapore, Vietnam and the Philippines.

Two of the Confederation's outstanding aims are to promote football in Asia and establish friendly and loyal co-operation among all its members.—France-Press.

## Turpin To Box As A Lightweight

London, May 12.

The British Boxing Board of Control officially announced today that Randolph Turpin will box in future as a lightweight.

Turpin lost his European Middleweight Championship in 65 seconds to Tiborito Mitri of Italy in Rome earlier this month.—Reuter.

## Scots Win Amateur International

Glasgow, May 12.

Scotland beat Eire by two goals to nil in an amateur international football match at Celtic here tonight.

Both goals were scored in the first half.—Reuter.

## A DOUBLE WINNER



One of the double-winners at the Asian Games just completed was India's Parduman Singh.

Here he is seen about to toss the 16-pound ball to a winning distance of 46 ft. 4 1/2 ins. He won the discus throw the day before. (Pan-Asia).

## Heavy Scoring In County Cricket

London, May 12.

Neville Rogers, 36-year-old Hampshire opening bat, led the field in a day of heavy scoring in English County Championship cricket matches beginning today.

One of the most consistent county batsmen never to have played for England, Rogers carried his bat for a distinguished 172 out of Hampshire's total of 327 against Gloucestershire.

Frank Lawson, a more likely candidate for a Test place in view of his comparative youth, partnered J. V. Wilson in a Yorkshire opening stand of 194 against Somerset. Lawson hit 14 boundaries in scoring 115 in three and a half hours, while Wilson, promoted in the order in the absence of Len Hutton, suffering from lumbago, gave valuable support until falling in the "nervous moments".

Making his championship debut at the age of 43, Dick Wells, captain of Northamptonshire second team, took four Glamorgan wickets for 67 with his fast-medium bowling.

Wells was deputising for Clarke who is injured. Bill Edrich gave respectability to the Middlesex score of 278 against Worcester with his second century in succession, and the 77th of his career. His 141 in four hours and five minutes included 64 in boundaries.

A second wicket stand of 231 by Reg Walton (120) and Fred Gardner (100) enabled Warwickshire to declare at 358 for five and give Essex a nasty quarter of an hour's batting before the close. Dodds and Avery survived it.

Peter Loader, Surrey fast-medium bowler who toured India with the Commonwealth side last winter, came in for the injured Alec Bedser to dismiss four Leicestershire batsmen for 37. Another fine bowling performance was Doug Wright's seven for 62 against Derbyshire.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES:  
At Lord's: Middlesex 278, Worcestershire 22 for no wicket.  
At the Oval: Leicestershire 104, Surrey 48 for six.  
At Westcliff: Warwickshire 358 for five declared, Essex six for no wicket.  
At Gravesend: Derbyshire 157, Kent 121 for four.

At Oxford: Oxford University 335 for six declared, Lancashire five for one wicket.  
At Cardiff: Glamorgan 288, Northamptonshire 31 for four.  
At Bristol: Hampshire 327, Gloucestershire 18 for no wicket.  
At Taunton: Yorkshire 350, Somerset 41 for three.

PAKISTAN TOUR  
Cambridge, May 12.  
The touring Pakistan cricketers found probably the finest batting wicket at Fenner's, Cambridge, that they will encounter on their tour when they began a three-day fixture against Cambridge University today.

At the close Cambridge had scored 205 for seven wickets against a team whose fielding will need to show a great improvement.

Imtiaz Ahmed, had a good day and was responsible for the dismissal of four batsmen, but the Pakistanis had no individual bowling success.

The placid pitch offered no encouragement to the bowlers who toiled with little reward up to tea time. There was not the same fire in Fazal Mahmood's attack as when he disposed of Worcestershire. In fact Mahmood Hussain, 21-year-old fast bowler, was more impressive this time. He bowled with a smooth action and his accurate length and direction gave little scope to the batsmen.

The early stages of the game passed without incident while the Cambridge captain and secretary, M. H. Bushby and A. W. Silk, kept rigidly to defence. They survived past the luncheon interval and altogether their opening stand of 80 occupied two and a quarter hours.

Both were trapped by bouncers Bushby giving a catch to Hanif Mohammad at long leg, and Silk being taken by the wicketkeeper. Silk, who spent three hours and 10 minutes over his 61, hit only three fours.

Two freshmen, A.B.D. Parsons, and J. F. Pretlove, showed the right way to bat by using their feet to get to the pitch of the ball. Both are small in height but there was plenty of brawn about Parsons and he thumped his off drives with tremendous power. Like Silk, he was well caught when 13 by little Hanif Mohammad, who each time held the ball while facing the sub.

B. R. Lumsden of Jamaica always sought runs and his fourth wicket partnership with Pretlove produced 48 before the Pakistan captain, Kanwar, caught to Hanif Mohammad. Then the alert Imtiaz brought off three consecutive catches. The tall N. S. Estcourt and G. Goonesena safely played out the last half hour.—Reuter.

ASIAN GAMES TEAMS ARRIVE  
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## Bulgaria, The Garden State, Turns To Industrialisation

Vienna, May 12.

Bulgaria, once known as the land of gardeners, is rapidly becoming industrialised, according to reports received here.

A recent report by the Prime Minister, Mr. Vulko Chervenkov, to the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist party, stated that industrial production in Bulgaria has increased since 1939 to 450 per cent, while agricultural production has increased in that time only to 129 per cent of its 1939 level.

In the days immediately before 1939, not only did the gardeners of Bulgaria produce the finest flowers and fruit for export—their strawberries were even sent by air to the London market—but they were themselves an export. At one time just before 1939, Hungary had an agreement with Bulgaria to send Bulgarian gardeners into Hungary each year.

According to a report of that time, although the one cabinet minister earned considerably more than the three gardeners, it was the thrifty gardeners who sent back most money home.

Now, according to Mr. Chervenkov, "Bulgaria has been converted from a backward agricultural country to an industrial-agricultural land." In proof

of his claim, Mr. Chervenkov said that the total industrial production of Bulgaria today is double her agricultural production in value—and 40 per cent of the total of this industrial production in 1939 was machine tools.

As a result of this increased industrialisation, helped, he said, by Soviet Russia, Bulgaria is now able to produce much of her own agricultural and other machinery.

Less is known of development in Bulgaria than of any other of the Soviet satellite states in South-West Europe, with the possible exception of Albania. Nowhere is the Iron Curtain so thick as around Bulgaria.

The publication in the Bulgarian press of the newly elected Central Committee of the Communist Party, which now has 65 full members and 32 candidate members as compared with its 47 full and 26 candidate members in 1948, when last elected, lifted the veil slightly.

Many of the most distinguished names of the 1948 Committee are missing from that of 1953. Georgi Dimitrov and Vasil Kolarov, for example, are dead. Traicho Kostov, Petko Kardin and Titko Chernokolev have been liquidated or purged from

the Party—though Chernokolev was last spring allowed to take a small post as Director of an agricultural research institution.

### TOO MUCH CONTROL

Much comment was aroused by the fact that Lieutenant-General Bulgartov and Lieutenant-General Slavko Trunski were elected as candidate members. It was remembered that these two generals had been dismissed from their military positions and the Central Committee of the Party in 1950 for alleged "failure to cope with their military duties."

It was believed at the time that they had opposed too much Russian control over the Bulgarian Army.

Now, some observers are inclined to think that their re-election means an increase in the influence of the military elements in the Government of Bulgaria.

Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia suggested even that the rehabilitation of these, and others who had worked as partisans in close co-operation with him during the war, signifies a change of heart which could lead to closer co-operation of Bulgaria with the West.

### A SHORTAGE

But observers inside Bulgaria tend rather to believe that the rehabilitation of a number of leaders who have been in disgrace is due rather to a shortage of suitable personnel.

Bulgartov, they say, had been Assistant Minister of Supply for some time and Kinov had been seen during the last year at numerous important official functions. Their acceptance back into the party does not, therefore, occasion so much surprise nor does it necessarily mean any new line—China Mail Special.

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## Move Against Oil Pollution Of The Sea

London, May 11.  
Forty countries agreed today on a draft convention defining sea zones in which ships will not be allowed to dump oil.

The countries were represented at an international conference on the prevention of oil pollution of the sea, which has been meeting here for the past two weeks.

The 40 countries agreed that from the date the convention takes effect—yet to be fixed—there will be zones throughout the world in which the discharge of "persistent" oils—crude, fuel, heavy diesel and lubricating oils—will be prevented.

Mr. Percy Faulkner, Under-Secretary at the British Ministry of Transport and Chairman of the General and Drafting Committees of the conference, said the convention covered all ships registered, except those under 500 tons, those for the time being used as naval auxiliaries and those used as tankers.

Separate zones had been agreed for tankers and dry cargo ships.

For tankers, the general zone in which oil could not be dumped was within 50 miles of any coast. But for most of the zone for tankers was 150 miles. Mr. Faulkner said the zones for dry cargo ships would not come into force as early as the zones for tankers, but three years after the date on which the convention took effect.

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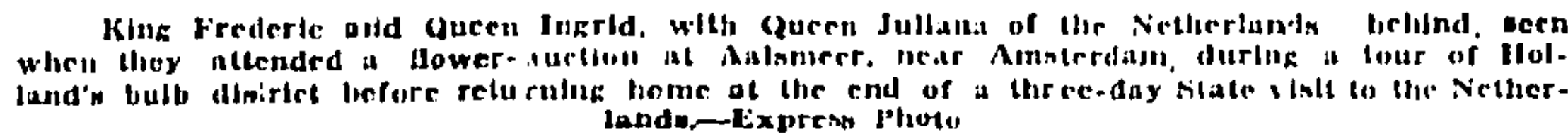
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**"All The Same"**

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JOHN CLARKE'S  
CASEBOOK

ROSIE

SHE stood in the dock at the Clerkenwell court, a pretty girl with nut-brown hair and eyes of a deeper brown. The look from those brown eyes flitted about the courtroom as unpredictably as a bat's flight, never lighting for a second on any one place.

Now it was on the coat of arms above the bench, now it seemed about to rest on the butterfly collar of the magistrate, Mr. T. F. Davis.

A moment later it was away somewhere else. All round the courtroom the girl looked... and a half-smile smelted about her lips.

14 MILES TO GO

THE girl's name was Rosie. She was 19 years old and was in the dock charged with a breach of probation. A court in a road-running Midland town had ordered her, as a condition of being put on probation for some offence, to live in a hostel for girls in London, and to stay there.

The probation order was for three years, but after a couple of months in the hostel, Rosie had had enough. She sailed off one day into the huge, unpredictable ocean that maps mark as "London," and grew homesick presently for her home town, for her family and her friends.

She got a bearing on where they lay, and lifted lifts from her home town north-west.

She had hitch-hiked to within 14 miles of her home when she was arrested for her departure from the hostel had been noted and the police had been told.

THE REPORT

ROSIE was brought back to London, to the dock at the Clerkenwell court. She readily agreed she had broken the terms of her probation, and she was remanded for a week, so that the doctors might see her.

At the end of the week, she came back into the dock. She was no longer on her own in London; her mother and father, quiet, worried people, had come down from the Midlands to be by her side.

A woman probation officer went into the witness-box and said in a gentle voice to the magistrate: "You will remember this girl, sir. There is this report."

Much business then of foot-catch sheets being passed from hand to hand, and read, while Rosie's eyes were diverted first by one thing then by another.

"Oh yes, I see," the magistrate said. "Mr. Inspector..." he began.

NOT FOR EVER?

THE chief inspector rose. When a report is read and those words follow, it means that those who know about such things have decided that the subject of their report is certainly insane.

The probation officer spoke again. "This girl's parents have come here," she said. "I think the father would like to speak."

Rosie's father went into the witness-box, a plump man in spectacles who wore a frayed, fringed, and an overcoat of misery. "We're quite agreed, the wife and I," he said, "with what the doctors say. But (now his words came with a rush) it isn't definite they'll take the girl away for the whole of her life, is it?"

The magistrate said: "Nothing is definite for life, is it? Nothing."

"No no, nothing," Rosie's father said. He went back to comfort his wife as best he could. Rosie went gaily out of the dock. No one could have seemed more gay.

EDEN AS  
CONCILIATOR

(Continued from Page 1)

Mr. Molotov retorted "we don't need it."

Communist delegates laughed at this and M. Bidauld asserted "the death of any man is not a subject for laughter."

Mr. Molotov replied "It is right to value human life. It is not a subject for irony. But we have no confidence in the authenticity of the telegram."

Mr. Eden said "I think delegates should read the telegram before passing judgment on it. That is what I shall do myself."

—Reuter.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Awaiting  
Petrov Commission  
Fireworks

From H. KING WOOD

Sydney, May 7.

Terms of the Petrov Royal Commission, announced this week, are generally accepted to be wide enough to give the Royal Commissioners all the power they require.

Above all, the dragnet terms leave no doubt that Australians or Australian organisations which have spied for the Red will be named.

Some attempt is being made to make political capital out of the terms of the Commission, but the Labour boys seem to be overlooking the fact that the Leader of the Opposition, Dr. Ewart, was consulted about them by the Prime Minister and, according to reports, fully approved.

The Royal Commission is expected to sit in Melbourne next week, but it is expected to be some little time before the fireworks really begin.

Since the retreat to Moscow of the Soviet Embassy at the weekend little has been heard of the Petrov Affair. It is said that Petrov and his wife are talking plenty and are busy helping with the translation of documents which he handed over, but other than an odd story or two tucked away here and there, they are no longer big news.

All that will be altered, of course, is the moment the Royal Commission gets busy.

Final Note on the Departing Red: The Ambassador's dog, a fine Akita, which has been fretting, has been placed in the care of the RSPCA.

End of an Incident: The British freighter Radnor, which has been loading arms and ammunition for Indo-China, has finally cleared Sydney Harbour.

The departure of the ship ended a month of worry and trouble for the officials responsible for the Radnor.

After the loading of arms had started at Double Bay, what-labourers walked off the ship. They objected to loading arms for the Indo-China war.

The Commonwealth Government then directed servicemen to finish loading the ship.

Communists then tried to delay sailing by encouraging seven of the ship's crew to leave but six of the ten refused to do so the next day.

After the return of the men, servicemen finished the loading and put to sea without further trouble.

THE YANKS RETURN  
The Yanks have been back in force this week—3,000 of them from the carrier Tarawa and the destroyers O'Bannon, here for the Coral Sea Victory celebrations.

A bit like old time to see them rolling around town, a comb and a packet of cigarettes stuck out of their top pocket.

Those who were here in wartime must have thought it was a bit like old times to be back—still the same No Parking signs, still cobwebs on the Eastern Suburbs railway, still no bottles beer, and the same old taxi drivers literally and figuratively taking them for a ride.

Also back for the celebrations as the Commonwealth's guest of honour is Fleet Admiral Halsey, who commanded the Coral Sea Allied Fleet. Now rising 72, the Admiral today is white-headed, the black bushy eyebrows have gone, so has much of the spring from the step and his hearing isn't what it used to be. A shadow of the former famous "Bull," but the memories of wartime linger around him and he is being fêted right and left.

RADAR FISHING

Eden fishermen—Eden is a little town on the south coast of New South Wales—are using radar to locate lobsters.

The local fisheries chief inspector has reported that the fishermen have located a sunken reef off the Victorian coast thick with giant lobsters.

Four boats are now working the reef and in a few days four tons of magnificent lobsters were sent to Sydney and about the same number to Melbourne.

The Sydney consignment was sold for just on £2,000.

The lobsters are a southern crayfish species—a type usually found in Tasmanian waters. Only once or twice a year—at intervals of seven years—are southern crayfish found so far north.

South Coast trawler owner said the radar being used was so sensitive the fishermen could tell the difference between a school of fish or a lobster cluster at 100 fathoms.

But lobsters by radar? Rather like hunting foxes in a deep. Best story of the week comes from Hobart where, after a full inquiry, the Postmaster-General's Department has been convinced that a bite by a bull out on the posterior of one of its lineamen was accidental.

The lineaman has been granted two days' sick leave. The lineaman had been asked by the department whether the injury was accidental and whether eye-witnesses' reports were available.

He replied that work had to be carried out on a pole at the base of which was an ant's nest. Petrol was poured on the nest and set alight, after which routine work proceeded. One bull ant, however, had bitten him while on the pole.

One witness stated that he disagreed with the theory that the bite was accidental.

Fruit pickers at the inland town of Bourke are working under overhead fly covers to protect them from wasps.

The pickers got fairly used to wasp stings, but they say that this season is the worst ever—so bad that a special dust is being floated through the trees before the pickers get on their high ladders.

A WARNING  
A warning against the "Santa Claus State" was issued this week by the Federal President of the Taxpayers' Association, Mr. F. F. Knight. He declared that too many social services could drive a government to the verge of bankruptcy.

"Most people would be insulted if we declared that they believed in Father Christmas," he said. "But how many have implicit faith in the Santa Claus state?"

The plums which they hand out have been commandeered from the taxpayers' orchard and there is considerable loss and waste in the process."

Mr. Knight also declared that too much of the taxpayers' money was being spent on administration.

Mrs. Barbara Jeffries, widow, of Hamilton, Newcastle, who died recently, bequeathed to Newcastle Cathedral the Victoria Cross awarded to her son, Captain Clarence Jeffries, in the first world war.

Captain Jeffries was killed in the battle of Passchendaele and was awarded the honour posthumously.

The Victoria Cross will be housed in the Warriors' Chapel of the Cathedral.

Mrs. Jeffries left an estate of £25,000.

Mail  
Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

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THURSDAY, MAY 13  
By Air  
Philippines, N. Borneo, 8 p.m.  
Macao, 9 p.m.  
FRIDAY, MAY 14  
By Air  
Philippines, 9 a.m.  
Thailand, Burma, India, Ceylon, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 10 a.m.  
Formosa, Japan, Korea, 3 p.m.  
By Sea  
Thailand, India, Ceylon, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 9 a.m.  
Malaya, Indonesia, 8 p.m.  
Siam, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
China, Formosa, Republic, 8.30 a.m.  
Japan, North, 1 p.m.  
Korea, 3 p.m.  
Macao, 5 p.m.

Flood Waters In Essex



Gale-lashed seas swept against Britain's coastal defences ten days ago and broke through at some places. At Westcliff-on-Sea, waves flooded over the promenade and into the town. The sea swept up a Westcliffe street and flooded shops and houses. Here Mrs. Doris Vin-quist (left) and Miss Joan Buckley push sandbags into place at the door of their cafe, and hope that the water will not rise any more.—London Express photo.

Italian  
Prison Warder  
Arrested

Rome, May 13.  
Police, hunting members of a Fascist revolutionary organisation, after seizing a motor-car loaded with arms and explosives near the Prime Minister's residence yesterday, last night arrested a warder of Rome's "Queen of Heaven" prison.

Seven Italians, said to be members of the organisation, were already under detention.

The warder, Passino Frengoli, was stationed at the prison when bandits Benito Lucidi and Luigi Doljanna escaped down a blanket ladder three months ago, the police said.

Lucidi was recaptured last week after a gun battle in the city's main cemetery. He was carrying a suitcase full of explosives.

Police said the explosives found yesterday near the Prime Minister's home had been removed from the house of another prison guard, Armando Mignarri. They said Frengoli was living with Mignarri until recently.

Police added that Parliamentary immunity prevented them from questioning a deputy of the Movimento Social Italiano (neo-Fascist) Party.

The alleged it was he who took the explosives to Mignarri's house in the first place. Police said the deputy Cesare Pozzo, was sentenced to a year's imprisonment in 1951 for belonging to the illegal FAR organisation.

Among the seven detained earlier was a 28-year-old man who left goal last December under an amnesty after serving a term for planting bombs at the Foreign Office, the American Embassy, the Yugoslav Legation and several offices of leftist wartime partisan organisations.—Reuter.

Coolie's Fatal  
Accident

A Chinese coolie was killed about 9 o'clock this morning when he was run over by a bus in Tai-po Road, outside Tai-po Village. The man was taken to hospital, but upon arrival was found to be dead.

'Who's His Line?' Solution  
MAJOR-GENERAL  
LORD MOUNTBATTEN

Play Needed  
More  
Rehearsing

I think the Garrison Players' performance of "Count Your Blessings" last night could have done with more rehearsals.

This is the only reason I can think of for the lack of ease most of the cast showed. They were all quite competent amateur actors but possibly if they'd been more sure of their parts there wouldn't have been that reaching for words and waiting for cues that was so apparent.

"Count Your Blessings" is a comedy and as such should have whizzed along at a fast spanking pace. Only in parts did this happen and most of the time I was conscious of wanting to hurry the whole thing along.

The action of the play takes place in the first floor drawing room of Kensington. Gay and Pelham, Butterworth (Sheila) and Michael (Morley-John) are the usual type of modern young couple whose income can't keep pace with their expenses.

THE SOLUTION

The solution appears to be to take in lodgers. This, of course, allows several "characters" to be introduced into the plot. Two of them—a Czech political refugee and a dancing instructor (Mario Ferras and Toni Poltr, Eric O'Neil) provided most of the humour.

The set was realistic, the dresses were effective and the diction clear. When the curtain fell at the end, however, it was apparent from the faces of the actors that they felt they could have done better.

More movement on the stage, quicker entrances and a cut in the long silence at the beginning of the last scene while the charwoman makes the bed, would go a long way towards making "Count Your Blessings" a success.

Besides those I've mentioned, the cast included Betty Spang, Olivia Nichol, Gordon Shakespear, Novello Henchey and Toni Poltr, Eric O'Neil. Show produced—JANE ROBERTS.

Gen. Sixsmith's  
Appointment

The British Army News Service reports that Major-General E. K. G. Sixsmith, who was Chief of Staff in Hongkong in 1952 before taking over a similar appointment at Headquarters, Far East Land Forces, is to succeed Major-General C. K. Fairbank as GOC, Southwestern District and 43 (Wessex) Infantry Division (TA) from September 27.

Commissioned in the Camerons 30 years ago, the General served in the BEF, North Africa and Italy during World War II, and commanded 14 British Independent Brigade Group in India in 1946.

Return Of Deposit:  
Appeal Against  
Judgment

An appeal against the decision of Mr Justice J. R. Gregg who gave judgment for respondents in their claim for the return of deposit of \$10,050 in connection with an alleged breach of contract for the sale of 50 bales of Italian cotton yarn, was brought before the Full Court, comprising the Puisne Judge, Mr Justice C. W. Reece, and the Acting Puisne Judge, Mr Justice J. Reynolds, this morning.

Appellants were the Metropolitan Trading Co. of 301 Bank of China Building who were represented by Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr S. Ng Quinn of Brutton and Company.

Respondents were the Tong Seng Co. of 336 Wang Jing Building for whom Mr S. V. Gilling, instructed by Messrs Hastings and Company appeared.

Mr Bernacchi said the appeal was confined to one point and that was a point raised in paragraph 7 of the Defence.

Counsel asked the Court to look at the claim which was for \$10,050 being deposit paid by the respondents to the appellants under a certain contract whereby the appellants agreed to sell to the respondents 50 bales of Italian cotton yarn upon condition, that the goods were to be shipped from an Italian port on or before October 15, 1952. Appellants failed to effect shipment before this date and respondents in consequence cancelled the said contract and requested the return of the deposit.

Paragraph 7 of the Defence, which Counsel next read stated that respondents wrongfully repudiated the contract at a time prior to that on which they could expect delivery of the goods even if shipped on or before October 15, 1952, and by their wrongful repudiation waived and relieved the appellants from their obligation to tender goods in accordance with the contract terms.

TIME THE ESSENCE

Counsel said that he was going to accept the Trial Judge's finding of fact that time was of the essence of the contract. The contract was for delivery in Hongkong of goods as described therein and such goods were goods which had to be shipped on or before October 15, 1952, from an Italian port. Counsel's case was that when one got a clause in the contract like that for delivery of goods in Hongkong relating to shipment, that was for most purposes a clause descriptive of the goods. Nine times out of 10 the vendor was not the shipper — he might himself be a buyer — so that it did not mean that the vendor himself would have to ship, Counsel argued.

What it did mean was that he must tender the goods which had been shipped from an Italian port on or before October 15, 1952.

After citing a case, Counsel said that his reason for doing so was solely to illustrate the point that his clients' sole liability under the contract and acceptance of the finding of fact of the Trial Judge that time was of the essence of the contract—was to provide 50 bales of Italian cotton yarn which had been shipped from an Italian port on or before October 15, 1952.

CANCELLED CONTRACT

Counsel said that before his clients had tendered anything at all—let alone the goods as required by the contract, and at a time before that on which goods shipped on October 15, 1952, from an Italian port could reasonably have been expected to be available in Hongkong for delivery—the respondents "completely and irrevocably cancelled the contract."

Before that there was correspondence, said Counsel, and in effect respondents wrote to appellants (at a time when there was a falling market, Counsel alleged) saying, "What goods are you proposing to tender us?" no question of time for tender having arisen.

Appellants wrote in reply: "We are proposing to tender you goods ex certain ships" which at that time they apparently understood had been shipped before October 15.

Respondents then proceeded to make fairly extensive enquiries about the sailing dates they dispatched and as a result they discovered that the ships had not sailed on or before October 15, said Counsel.

Respondents then wrote to appellants, saying in effect, "Those goods do not conform with the contract which is now cancelled."

Counsel submitted that the onus was on respondents to show, if they cancelled the contract, that appellants were not

In a position to tender the right goods on or before October 15. Hearing is continuing.

GOT LEFT ON  
LINER

A 23-year-old woman, Lee Yuet-ping, who went on board a Dutch liner with her 17-month-old son to see her friend off to Singapore, but did not get off the ship before it was under way, returned from Singapore in another Dutch steamer this morning and was immediately brought before Mr C. Cairns at the Marine Court on a charge of unlawful boarding.

Sub-Ins. K. T. Wong, prosecuting, told the court that defendant went with her baby on board the mv Tjiljengkka on April 23 to see her friend off. She did not notice when the ship sailed and was left on board.

Sub-Ins. Wong pointed out that it was only due to her own negligence that she was left stranded on the ship. She had, in fact, no intention of stowing away.

"I caution and discharge you this time," said Mr Cairns, "but next time you go on board a ship make sure about the time the ship sails."

Was To Be Paid  
\$7 For  
Gold Smuggling

"For \$7 you would affect the economic equilibrium of the Colony?" asked Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning, when Chan Fuk, a ship-runner, admitted smuggling 100 loaves of gold into the Colony.

Chan was arrested yesterday, when a party of Police, acting on information, lay in ambush at Connaught Road West near the Yuen On Wharf and stopped him as he came off the ss Fat Shan.

In Court, defendant said that he was given the gold in Macao by a man called Ah Wong. His orders were to smuggle the gold into the Colony where he was to hand it to Wong at the Tung Fong Boating House. On delivery of the gold, which defendant concealed in his person, he would have been paid \$7 by Wong.

Defendant was fined \$1,000 or four months by the magistrate.

WOMAN'S  
CHOPPER  
ATTACK

Pleading guilty to a charge of wounding, Ho Oi-chu, a woman, was sentenced to nine months by Judge A. D. Scholes at the Victoria District Court this morning.

Insp. T. Kavanagh said that the accused, and the complainant, Leung Tat-yeung, a 18-year-old youth, resided with their families in No. 188, Des Voeux Road West, first floor. On the morning of March 31, as complainant was having breakfast in the verandah, he felt a sharp blow on the back of his neck and as he turned round, he saw the accused holding a chopper and aiming further blows at him. His right arm was also wounded as he tried to ward off the blows.

A struggle followed and complainant broke away. The accused was later disarmed by other fellow tenants.

Insp. Kavanagh said that the accused and complainant's mother had been on bad terms for a long time. A few days before this incident, they had a fight in the kitchen and as a result were fined and bound over to be of good behaviour.

In mitigation, accused said that she was a sub-tenant of the house and the principal tenant had been creating trouble to evict her because she paid very low rent.

Visits Red  
Cross Godown

Mr W. H. Chinn, CMG, Social Welfare Officer to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, this morning visited the British Red Cross godown at the British-American Tobacco Co. (HK) Ltd. at Gloucester Road where he also saw a number of volunteers working at work sorting out clothes and blankets.

Mrs R. A. Black, Colony Director of the British Red Cross Society, was welcomed at the godown entrance by Mrs H. C. Reel, Organiser of the British Red Cross Society, Hongkong Branch.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.  
6.00 Time Signal and Program Time announced by John Day (Studio) 6.30 Portuguese Half Hour (Studio) 7.00 Parade—The Week's Ten Top Tunes presented by Bernard Hicks (Studio); 7.30, "Down Memory Lane" (Studio); 8.00, "The Weather" (Studio); 8.30, "Weather Report" (Studio); 8.45, "News Talk (London Relay) or Special Announcements"; 9.15, "Echoes of Italy"—George Foster (Studio); 9.45, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 10.00, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 10.15, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 10.30, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 10.45, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 11.00, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 11.15, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 11.30, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 11.45, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 12.00, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 12.15, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 12.30, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 12.45, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 1.00, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 1.15, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 1.30, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 1.45, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 2.00, "The Philharmonia" (Studio); 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